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CHUNGKING SHELLED BY THE COMMUNISTS

Red Occupation Of City Expected Today PLANES LEAVE UNDER FIRE

The Communist forces opened an artillery bombardment of Chungking from across the Yangtse River yesterday as long, dusty lines of Nationalist troops retreated Northward toward the new capital of Chungku.

News of the bombardment of the city and the Kiulungpo airfield, five miles from the city, was brought to Hong Kong by the pilots of the last planes to leave the city yesterday.

Although reports were circulating in Hong Kong that the Communist troops had actually occupied the residential district on the South bank, a telegram despatched from Chungking by Associated Press at 8 p.m. revealed that the People's Liberation Army had not yet entered the city. The occupation is expected today.

The Hong Kong office of Cable and Wireless ceased sending telegrams to Chungking at the usual hour of 9 p.m. yesterday, and the service was expected to resume today.

Dramatic stories of their take-off from Chungking under fire were told by the pilots and passengers of planes arriving at Kai Tak yesterday afternoon.

Britain Decides On Recognition

London, November 29.—The Foreign Office indicated officially today that the British Government has decided on recognition of Communist China.

Replying to questions as to whether Britain would recognize the Communist Government, the Foreign Office spokesman said: "We should be very surprised if recognition did not come."

The official said timing of the announcement of recognition is in no way connected with adjournment of the United Nations General Assembly.

Meanwhile, the Chinese Communist Foreign Minister, Mr. Chou En-lai, today declared that the Chinese Government would not recognize the Nationalist Government in China, and that the Chinese Communist Government would not recognize the Nationalist Government in China.

Mr. Chou's warning was contained in a letter to "former diplomatic personnel" of various countries in China for forwarding to their respective governments.

It said the Chinese Communist forces are pressing close to the South West border of China but the Nationalists are "turning their backs to the Yangtze and other places adjoining the frontier of China which they are attempting to make an asylum for their battered troops and officers, preparing to turn them into bases for staging a comeback at an opportune moment."

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HK Representative In London Here



Mr. E. G. A. Grimwood, Director of the Hong Kong Government Office in London, who arrived in the Colony yesterday from the United Kingdom on board a BOAC aircraft. He told the Press that if the Colony's products are of first class quality and their cost price is lower than products from other parts of the world, they will have a good opportunity in UK markets. During his stay in the Colony he will contact local manufacturers, Chambers of Commerce and Government to discuss selling the Colony's goods in the UK and throughout Europe.—(China Mail) Photo.

Chiang Planning To Resume The Presidency

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has suggested to Acting President General Li Tsung-jen that if he persists in remaining outside China he should officially resign his post. The "China Mail" learned from reliable Nationalist sources that the Generalissimo has reconciled himself to the fact that his split with the Acting President is irreparable.

He now wants General Li to renounce the Acting Presidency so that he may resume power. Unconfirmed vernacular reports from Chengtu said that he plans to resume the Presidency on December 25.

The suggestion was included in the Generalissimo's personal letter brought here by Dr. Chiu Chia-hua, Deputy Premier, and Mr. Hung Lan-yu, Secretary-General of the Emergency Supreme Council, on Monday. This was Generalissimo Chiang's second desperate attempt to urge General Li to return to China.

The letter stressed that General Li should not go abroad as Acting President of China but as an ordinary individual without Government title. The Generalissimo previously "retired" from the Presidency. He has not officially resigned. At the time this was believed to be a ruse to get back to power later.

Other members of the crowd included two stewardesses. Mr. Howard McKendree, traffic control operator in charge at Love Field at the time of the accident, said the plane's left wing dropped at the South end of the North runway.

He said: "The pilot tried to pull up the plane and veer to the left. On the radio the pilot said something which the tower could not understand clearly but it sounded like 'we are losing something' and that is all we could hear."

A report from New York said the passengers list of the plane included a British Army officer, Lieutenant Colonel Fano, who boarded the plane at Washington en route to Mexico City.

The crash was the third major tragedy involving the big four-engine luxury plane since they went into operation after the war.—United Press.

Twenty-Nine Dead In Air Disaster

Dallas, November 29.—An American Airlines DC-6 passenger plane plunged into an aircraft building at Love Field, North of Dallas, before dawn today, and reports indicated that 29 persons were killed.

At least 28 were known to be dead at Parkland Hospital morgue in Central Dallas. Their bodies were so badly charred that they were being counted off only as males or females.

Airline officials said there were only 10 survivors of the 46 persons aboard the aircraft. A message from New York said there were 40 passengers, and a crew of five on the plane.

Only three persons were able to walk away from the burning wreckage. The plane, on route from New York to Mexico City, developed engine trouble a few moments before it crashed at 5:50 a.m.

Captain Bauwens, Glades of Dallas, told the Love Field control tower: "I am losing something." The pilot and two other members of the crew, Flight Officer Robert Lewis and Flight Engineer William Forbes, both of Dallas, were injured but were still alive at mid-morning.

Other members of the crowd included two stewardesses. Mr. Howard McKendree, traffic control operator in charge at Love Field at the time of the accident, said the plane's left wing dropped at the South end of the North runway.

The split between he and General Li has given him the opportunity of returning to power.

Rumours, circulated yesterday in Hong Kong, said that General Li Chung-hai, Nationalist Commander-in-Chief, may soon join General Li here and proceed with him to the United States.

The rumours, however, were denied by sources close to General Li's family in the Colony.

The sources said that the rumour apparently resulted from an application for permission to visit the United States by Madame Pao.

General and Madame Pao have two daughters studying in the United States and she is planning to visit them.

Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, Premier, at a Press conference in Chengtu indicated that the Generalissimo may resume power should General Li persist in remaining outside China.

According to vernacular reports from the present refuge capital of Nationalist China, Marshal Yen said that Generalissimo Chiang's resumption of the Presidency depended on the results of the talks of the Generalissimo's emissaries with General Li in Hong Kong.

Regarding the reported International Brigade to fight the Communists, Marshal Yen replied that no move has been made.

The mobile Cabinet which will follow the army has been completed, he told the Press representative.

He reiterated the Nationalist determination to fight the Communists to the end.

Senator's Visit
Senator Homer Ferguson of Michigan visited Acting President Li Tsung-jen at the latter's hotel at about 3:45 p.m. yesterday.

Senator Ferguson earlier met Dr. George Yeh, the Chinese Foreign Minister.

Senator Ferguson arrived here from the United States with three other Senators on Monday.

Washington, November 29.—The State Department has authorized the visit to the United States of Acting President Li Tsung-jen, it was officially announced today.—Reuters.

WITNESS' THEORY

SABOTAGE CAUSE OF CHAK SANG TRAGEDY

"This is a case of deliberate sabotage carried out by people with considerable knowledge of explosives and with considerable experience," Mr. Richard Creese Terry, Assistant Government Chemist, told the Marine Court of Inquiry investigating the explosion aboard the ss. Chak Sang, yesterday.

Mr. Terry stated that a detonator, two-thirds filled with explosives, a concussion pin and two tin containers with the words "Demolition Firing Device, Mark 3"—were discovered on the premises of the Yuen Sang Cheong Company, 141, Connaught Road, West, First Floor, which consigned 10 100-lb drums of potassium chlorate to the ill-fated ship.

"At least half of the 10 100-lb drums, stored in the No. 2 hold, two on decks on the starboard side, were fired by some kind of delayed-action mechanism, timed to explode after the drums were loaded on to the ship," Mr. Terry alleged.

Witness drew his conclusions after giving exhaustive evidence and producing numerous exhibits covering his investigation in concert with the Marine Department and the Police.

The seized objects are under study by American experts in the United States, at the request of the local authorities, as all efforts to establish their respective identities have failed locally.

Until then, the actual mechanism which was instrumental in causing the explosion cannot be specified.

Mr. Terry's conclusions were: 1) "The disaster of the Chak Sang on September 7 was caused by explosion of at least half of the 10 100-lb drums of potassium chlorate consigned by the Yuen Sang Cheong Company and stored in the No. 2 hold, two on decks on the starboard side of the ship."

2) "This did not consist of ordinary commercial potassium chlorate, but was a mixture of resin and potassium chlorate."

3) "The mixture was prepared at 141, Connaught Road, West, First Floor."

4) "The explosive drums were fired by some kind of delayed-action mechanism, timed to explode after the drums were loaded aboard the ship."

5) "This is a deliberate case of sabotage carried out by people with considerable knowledge of explosives, and with considerable experience."

Laboratory Tests
The Government expert gave a detailed account of his inquiry producing numerous exhibits.

He revealed that he made laboratory tests with the contents of a 200-lb drum and 100-lb drum which were identical to those among the cargo aboard the Chak Sang before she exploded on September 7 in the wake of a typhoon.

Under ordinary temperature and conditions, potassium chlorate would not explode, witness said. This was confirmed at a recent chemical experts' meeting.

He affirmed that commercial potassium chlorate under normal conditions would not explode.

Five of the 10 100-lb drums loaded on the Chak Sang and consigned by the Yuen Sang Cheong Company, 141, Connaught Road, West, first floor, blew up.

He was of the opinion that it was very unlikely that the potassium chlorate in the drums referred to was mixed accidentally.

It seemed likely that the contents might have been mixed together considerably.

Mr. Terry recalled his search of the company's premises at Connaught Road with the Police. He procured several specimens from the floor, which he found to be a mixture of potassium chlorate and resin.

German Process
There were no splashes of oil on the walls or floor. The floor of one cubicle was well scrubbed. He believed the chemicals were mixed on a piece of paper, laid on the floor.

There was no trace of any untimely time fuses. Witness declared that one method of exploding potassium chlorate is by mixing 80 per cent

of it with 20 per cent of resin. That is a German process, he added.

"It is likely that persons would prepare explosives by this process if they wished to utilize common materials," he said.

From his tests, witness declared, he discovered turpentine oil emanating from the resin found on the premises.

It was of crude quality, which generally would produce such a smell, he asserted.

Mr. Terry revealed that he found a large amount of potassium chlorate on the premises, most of which was mixed with resin.

Earlier Sub-Inspector W. P. Apps told the Court that there was no evidence of the explosion being connected with the current Chinese political situation. If it was a case of sabotage, it must have been done by an individual of his own initiative.

During a thorough search of the premises on November 10, SI Apps discovered two tin containers with words on the lids defaced deliberately. They read: 1. Demolition Firing Device, Mark 3.

Another object found in a bunk appeared to be part of a detonator. SI Apps produced four pieces of evidence which he took to the laboratory. SPEC. DET. 1, DET. 2, Loaded 7-44 Lot PA 45-10.

Other Finds
SI Apps found another small metal object which looked like a concussion pin. There was a small hexagonal-headed screw with a greenish-gray head. SI Apps said.

Besides these objects, the Police discovered a wooden tub and several pieces of paper with Chinese characters screwed into balls. The latter under a pile of firewood in the kitchen.

The two tins were found just under one of the lower three-tier bunks near the kitchen. Under these bunks were miscellaneous household articles, including shoes, pots and pans and small baskets, all in a filthy condition and covered with dust.

The two tins were near the front part and appeared to have been merely pushed under the bunks.

"One of the lower bunks was used by the caretaker, Yip Sang, who told me that he knew of the presence of the objects but denied knowledge of what they were. He stated he remembered seeing them after the two

American Ship Thought To Be In Shanghai

Shipping sources in Hong Kong said, last night, that they believe the American steamship Sir John Franklin, which yesterday was shelled by the Nationalists at the Yangtze mouth, has since reached Shanghai.

They said that five British ships and possibly one Norwegian are at present at the Yangtze mouth, waiting for an opportunity to slip into Shanghai. The blockade of Nationalist warships. Some of these ships have been waiting for over a week.

Royal Navy sources said that British warships are still waiting to enter the Yangtze from outside territorial waters.—Reuters.

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Northern Chinese warships are still waiting to enter the Yangtze from outside territorial waters.—Reuters.

Mr. Terry of the Government Laboratory contacted various military "explosive" experts in the Colony. He was endeavoring to establish the identity of the two containers, their former contents and their relation, if any, to the other two objects. SI Apps continued. He was unsuccessful.

The containers appeared to be of American manufacture.

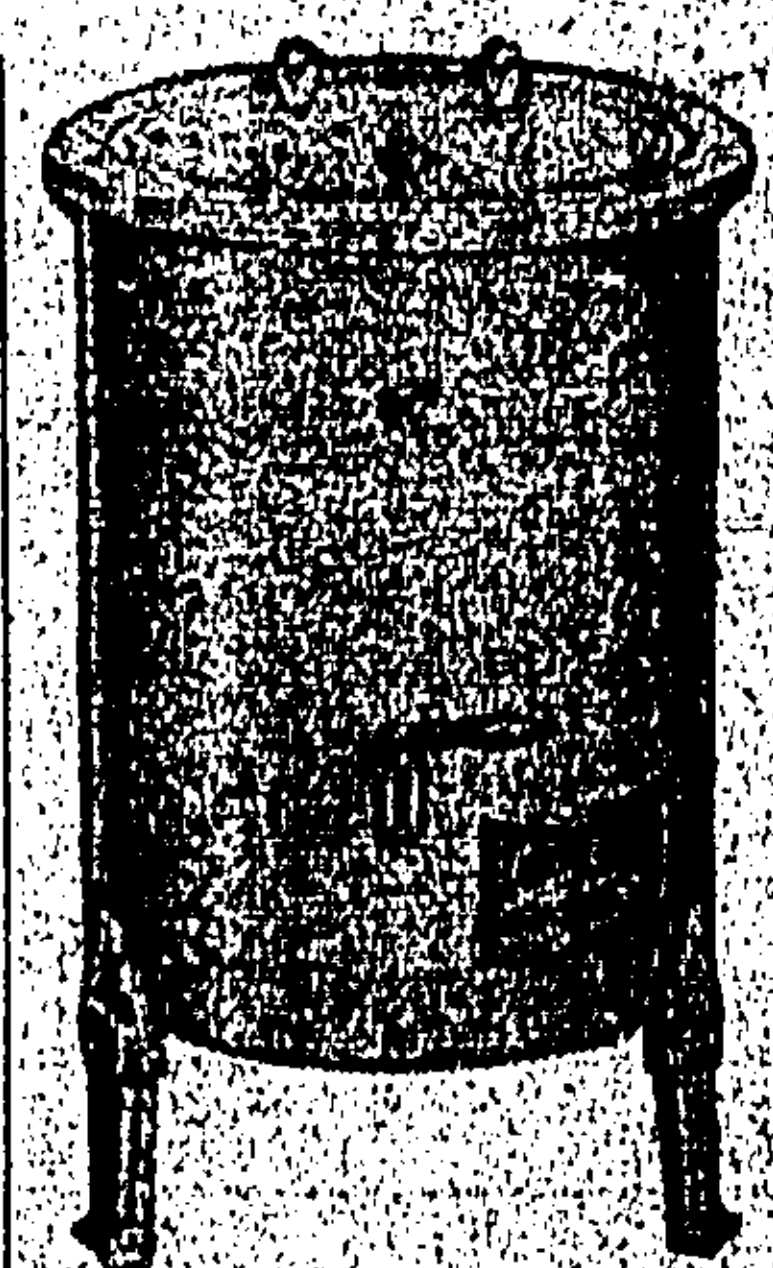
In November the objects were sent by the British to the British Embassy at Washington with a request to make enquiries in the United States to establish their identities," he said.

Prior to sending them, however, Mr. Terry removed the top of the object, looking like part of a detonator, and extracted the contents.

White Deposits
SI Apps entered the witness stand after a Chinese witness gave corroborative evidence of the sale of two bags of 100 ounces of resin. "I made continuous enquiries on the progress of the Chak Sang from September 10," SI Apps began.

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NEW TRAFFIC LAWS:

RIGHT OF WAY FOR PEDESTRIANS: CITY SILENT ZONES

Jay-walking will be outlawed in Hong Kong beginning from Monday. From the same day silent zones will be established in different parts of the Colony and pedestrians will be given the right of way at fixed road crossings. The new traffic laws include regulations governing different car parks for exclusive use by owner-driven cars, chauffeur-driven cars and public cars.

In certain streets and roads, a 20-mile limit will be enforced and turns-about prohibited. Turns will not be allowed in Connaught Road, Central Connaught Road, West; Des Voeux Road, Central, Des Voeux Road, West; Hennessy Road, and part of Caine Road. Signals will be erected to show which party of the roads are affected by the new regulations.

On the Mainland, turns-about will be banned on Nathan Road, from Salisbury Road to Boundary Street, on Taipei Road from Boundary Street to Castle Peak Road, on Castle Peak Road from Taipei Road to Tsing Fui Street, on Peking Road from Canton Road to Nathan Road, on Hankow Road from Salisbury Road to Haiphong Road, on Leichikok Road from Nathan Road to Yu Chow Street.

Twenty-mile-an-hour limits will be enforced in the area bounded on the West by Kennedy Town, along Cadogan Street, Heleghers Street, Queens Road, West, Pokfulam Road, to its junction with Bonham Road, on the South from the junction of Pokfulam Road with Bonham Road, along Bonham Road, Caine Road, Upper Albert Road to its junction with Garden Road.

On the East from the junction of Garden Road with Upper Albert Road, along Garden Road, Murray Road, to Connaught Road, but excluding Garden Road.

On the North from the junction of Murray Road with Connaught Road Central, Connaught Road West, Des Voeux Road West, Kennedy Town, to its junction with Cadogan Street, and from the junction of Queens Road East with Hennessy Road to its junction with Kennedy Road.

Car Parks

Different car parks or stands for owner-driven and chauffeur-driven cars and public vehicles will be marked at the heads by square signs with a green background (in the case of taxis) and the words in English and Chinese "Taxi" only with a white arrow pointing along the stand; in the case of public cars, square signs having a red background and the words in English and Chinese "Public Car" only with a white arrow pointing along the stand. The number of cars allowed on the stands will be shown.

The new practice for private cars will be to paint parking signs on the roads and to erect signs which are square, with a blue background and bearing the words in English and Chinese "Private Car Park".

There will also be a white arrow pointing along the park. The number of cars permitted in the park will not be marked on the signs, as experience has shown that owing to the various sizes of present day cars, the number of cars required to fill parking lots varies.

The following car parks will be for the use of cars which are owner-driven only, and chauffeur-driven cars must not be left in them: Wardley Street, North and South; Chater Road, Queens Road, Central, Jackson Road, Ice House Street, Murray Road, Connaught Road Central, from Murray Road to Jubilee Street.

The signs at the owner driven parts will bear an additional plate stating in English and Chinese that they are to be so used. It will be an offence to leave chauffeur-driven cars in them.

Silent Zones

Instruments fitted to any vehicle or means for signalling purposes will not be permitted to be sounded in the following "Silent Zones":

Hong Kong in the whole area bounded by and including, on the West, Queen Victoria Street; on the North, Connaught Road Central, on the East, Queens Road, and on the South, Queens Road Central. On the roads and por-

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Warning To Catapult Offenders

European boys have broken several windows and hit residents inside their homes while using catapults.

An officer of Eastern Police Station said last night that the persons responsible would probably be arrested if they committed any further offences.

He also warned parents of the boys that they would be held partly responsible for any damages, either to property or persons.

Fete At Flagstaff House

The Governor and Lady Grantham headed a list of distinguished personalities who thronged Flagstaff House yesterday at the Garden Fete to raise funds for the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children.

Over 100 people assembled in the grounds, kindly lent by Lieutenant General Sir Robert Maunsell, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Hong Kong.

The fete was opened by Mrs. W. S. Maunsell, who declared the fete open, and I hope you will all have a good time.

The grounds were beautifully lit by coloured bulbs, and side-shows dotted the greens. Young ladies, acting as waitresses and hawkers, supplied additional colour to the setting by wearing the national costumes of their countries.

There were waitresses representing Great Britain, the Netherlands, China, Australia, India, and France. All were attired in the distinctive apparel of their respective countries.

The services were present in numbers, and contributed to the fete's success. They provided regiments and dance music, and entertained as well in side shows.

A physical training display, introduced by two clowns, was one of the highlights of the fete. It was given by the Army P. T. Corps, and was a perfect demonstration of the synchronization of brown air brain.

The Argill and Sutherland Regimental Pipes, by kind permission of Lieutenant Colonel G. L. Nelson, later lent the Regiment, and this was followed by Reels.

Two modern Chinese folk dances given by students of the Bellios School were warmly applauded, while Miss Moyra Bud sang some enchanting Chinese songs.

Mr. Eddie Guzman, of the Ritz, supplied dance music.

Hong Kong Trade With The UK

Statistics relating to the trade of the United Kingdom with 60 overseas countries for the year 1948, with comparative figures for 1938 and 1947, have now been prepared by the Board of Trade, London.

The statistics, which are similar to the following figures for Hong Kong, are available in book form from HM Stationery Office, 421 Oxford Street, London, W.1, price 6/- copy. Hong Kong figures are—

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITIES	VALUES (£'000)
		1938 1947 1948	1938 1947 1948
IMPORTS:			
Miscellaneous raw materials	Value	—	51 710 718
(Group II, N)			
Non-ferrous metals and manufactures	Value	—	200 3 4
Other articles	Value	—	620 1,872 4,192
Total Imports	Value	—	1,062 5,688 5,608
UNITED KINGDOM EXPORTS:			
Beverages and food preparations	Value	—	160 180 301
Tobacco	Value	—	113 1,204 1,317
Battery, Glass, Abrasives, etc.	Value	—	12 200 318
Iron and steel and manufactures of which—	Value	—	—
Thin plates	Ton	23,504 21,017 20,118	420 999 1,643
Non-ferrous metals and manufactures of which—	Value	—	—
Copper	Ton	8,010 4,000 5,170	62 280 180
Cultural, hardware, instruments and instruments	Value	—	123 344 839
Electrical goods and apparatus of which—	Value	—	—
Electric cables, wires, strips and strands, rubber insulated, other than telegraph and telephone	Ton	—	441 841
Domestic radio receiving sets	Number	281 12,806 12,876	8 150 141
Machinery	Value	4,647 2,440 6,172	608 961 1,700
Woven cotton piece goods of which—	Th. sq. yds.	6,752 7,247 4,902	108 719 643
Grey, unbleached	—	2,111 208 890	70 95 110
White, bleached	—	1,874 8,238 1,044	85 196 180
Printed	—	608 999 1,003	20 108 140
Dyed in the piece	—	2,985 2,609 1,171	68 268 171
Coloured cottons	—	255 472 195	16 46 37
Finished cotton threads, in lengths not exceeding 1,000 yards	Th. lbs.	121 103 152	37 93 130
Other cotton manufactures, except yarn	Value	—	33 160 108
Woolen and worsted yarns and manufactures of which—	Value	—	—
Woven woollen tissues	Th. sq. yds.	608 2,000 2,255	98 882 1,033
Woven worsted tissues	—	402 892 1,249	87 973 885
Manufactures of other textile materials (Group III, L.)	Value	—	158 488 1,351
Of which—			
Linen piece goods	Th. sq. yds.	2,240 1,815 6,071	128 420 1,288
Apparel	Value	—	88 391 350
Chemicals, dyes, dyes and colours	Value	—	487 1,880 1,471
Of which—			
Impurity medicines and medicinal preparations, except quinine and quinine salts	Value	—	18 146 168
Other drugs, medicines and medicinal preparations, except quinine and quinine salts	Value	—	27 189 258
Flashed spectacle frames from coal	Owt.	8,437 28,807 12,003	77 764 377
Paper, cardboard, etc.	Value	28,658 34,416 45,238	65 560 671
Vehicles (including locomotives, ships and aircrafts) of which—	Value	—	—
New cars	Number	250 1,017 1,229	80 421 583
Motor cycles	Number	8,681 24,348 29,631	3 170 203
Miscellaneous manufactures (Group IV, J.)	Value	—	427 600 606
Parcel post	Value	—	49 146 163
All other articles	Value	—	401 634 2,254
Total United Kingdom Exports	Value	—	8,020 12,148 20,544
RE-EXPORTS: Total	Value	—	58 80 137

Sabotage Cause Of Chak Sang Tragedy

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It was on October 8 that he first heard about the Yuen San Cheong, which had bought 100-1b drums of potassium chlorate from the Kwong Wing Hing Chemicals Company and had arranged for them to be delivered to 141, Connaught Road, West. The company had exported the drums by the Chak Sang.

From further investigation, it was found that the drums were the lot seen on the premises on the night of September 6.

"I tried to trace the members of the Yuen San Cheong but without success," witness said.

On October 10, with Detective PC 617 SI Apps visited the premises and examined the cubic drums and examined the cubic drums and examined the cubic drums.

SI Apps then gave a detailed description of the floor.

"I took samples of white deposits on the floor, to be analysed by the Government Laboratory. I did this because I had the intention of tracing potassium chlorate for at that time I suspected the drums might have been opened on the premises for the purpose of smuggling some other commodity in them.

"The shipper orders of the Chak Sang showed that two consignments of potassium chlorate were loaded on board. They included the first lot of 112 drums and the second lot of 10 drums, belonging to the Yuen San Cheong.

"I made arrangements for two drums of 200-lb and 100-lb to be sold to the Marine Department.

Test Explosions
On October 18, with Mr. Terry and Mr. Collins, of the Marine Department, and Service explosives experts, I went to Stone Island, where I saw explosive tests of potassium chlorate.

"One of these explosions was to show the effect on iron plate (which SI Apps identified in Court). The potassium chlorate was mixed with other substances and exploded.

"On October 20, while taking statements from Mr. Chiu, a co-owner of the Tai Lee Transportation Company, who had been engaged in delivering the 10 drums to the Yuen San Cheong Company, the co-owner disclosed that the last delivered a bamboo basket of yellow crystals.

"I made further enquiries and found that these were 50-lb drums of potassium chlorate. A further lot of 50-lb of resin had been bought by the company.

"The Yuen San Cheong did not officially export the 100-lb of resin. SI Apps declared that he had not been able to trace any witnesses who saw the resin leave the premises.

"I continued my investigation and found that four 100-lb drums of potassium chlorate had been returned to the original sellers on September 10. These drums had subsequently been sold to others and exported and I have been unable to trace them.

premises, I enquired as to the effect of mixing potassium chlorate and resin. It was discovered that a mixture of both chemicals in a certain proportion would produce a powerful explosive but that it would require detonation," SI Apps stated.

"Detonator Parts"
A thorough search of the premises was made again. Mr. Terry scraped deposits and dust from the wooden floor. They were analysed and found contain potassium chlorate and resin.

On November 10 at 9.30 a.m., armed with a search warrant, SI Apps made a thorough investigation of the premises and seized several objects discovered during the search.

"They appeared to be parts of a detonator.

"From further enquiries I have been unable to find any connection between the lawful occupants of 141, Connaught Road, West, and members of the Yuen San Cheong Company."

Mr. R. E. Smith, Marine Superintendent of the Indo-China Steamship Navigation Company, gave the names of the 11 dead and three injured in the disaster.

Witnesses stated that the Court draw the attention of the Royal Humane Society to the excellent work and rescue by the crew of the lifeboat of the "San" manian freighter Newroz, which was anchored near the burning ship.

Twenty-three men of the Chak Sang were saved by the lifeboat, which operated under conditions, to quote witness, "which must be described as hazardous," which placed the rescuing party in danger of their own lives.

"The weather conditions alone entailed great risk in sending out the lifeboat that night during the early stages of the typhoon and early stages of the typhoon and early stages of the typhoon."

Witnesses stated that the ship which had suddenly exploded and without the assurance that further explosions would not occur," he said.

He said that the Chak Sang was "in the dangerous position of change was sufficient evidence to the lifeboat crew of the great risk they were running. The fact that this lifeboat was manned without hesitation after the Chak Sang blew up in spite of official recognition by the Royal Humane Society, witness declared.

Mr. Smith then gave the names of the personnel manning the lifeboat.

He also produced a copy of a report on the nature of the chemical cargo aboard the Chak Sang, made by Professor G. E. Finch, of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London.

Mr. E. J. Lambert, assistant contractor, gave further evidence on the structure and damage done to the Chak Sang. His conclusions included the opinion that there was an explosion below deck involving a considerable quantity of potassium chlorate and resin. The explosion was not preceded by a fire and there was no evidence of any substance contained in the drums.

The Court adjourned investigation until the next week.



Mr. Fernando Lopez, Vice-President of the Philippines, Mr. Fernando Lopez, with his wife just after their arrival in Hong Kong yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Lopez intend to holiday in the Colony for a week before returning to Manila. (China Mail Photo)

PI Vice-President In Hong Kong

Vice-President of the Philippines, Mr. Fernando Lopez, said in Hong Kong yesterday that there was little extreme violence in the last Philippine election, but there were a great many violent newspaper headlines.

The Vice-President, speaking in his hotel room, added that no more than five persons were killed as a result of election violence, however, the news agencies reported hundreds.

Mr. Lopez and his wife arrived in Hong Kong aboard the American President Lines ship, the "Cleveland," and plan to spend a one-week vacation here.

He said that he has made a number of trips to the British military units in the New Territories and that most of his time would be spent recuperating after months of campaigning. In answer to a question, Mr. Lopez said he is in good health and that he is not planning to return to the Philippines until the next week.

country should learn to stand on its own two feet and not be dependent on the United States. "It is also true that we are asking the United States to assist our country financially. However, there are two main considerations which I think are being overlooked by these gentlemen."

"First, the Philippines entered the war automatically in 1941, because we were under the jurisdiction of the United States government. I do wish to point out by this that we would have entered the war, but I am pointing out as a fact that we

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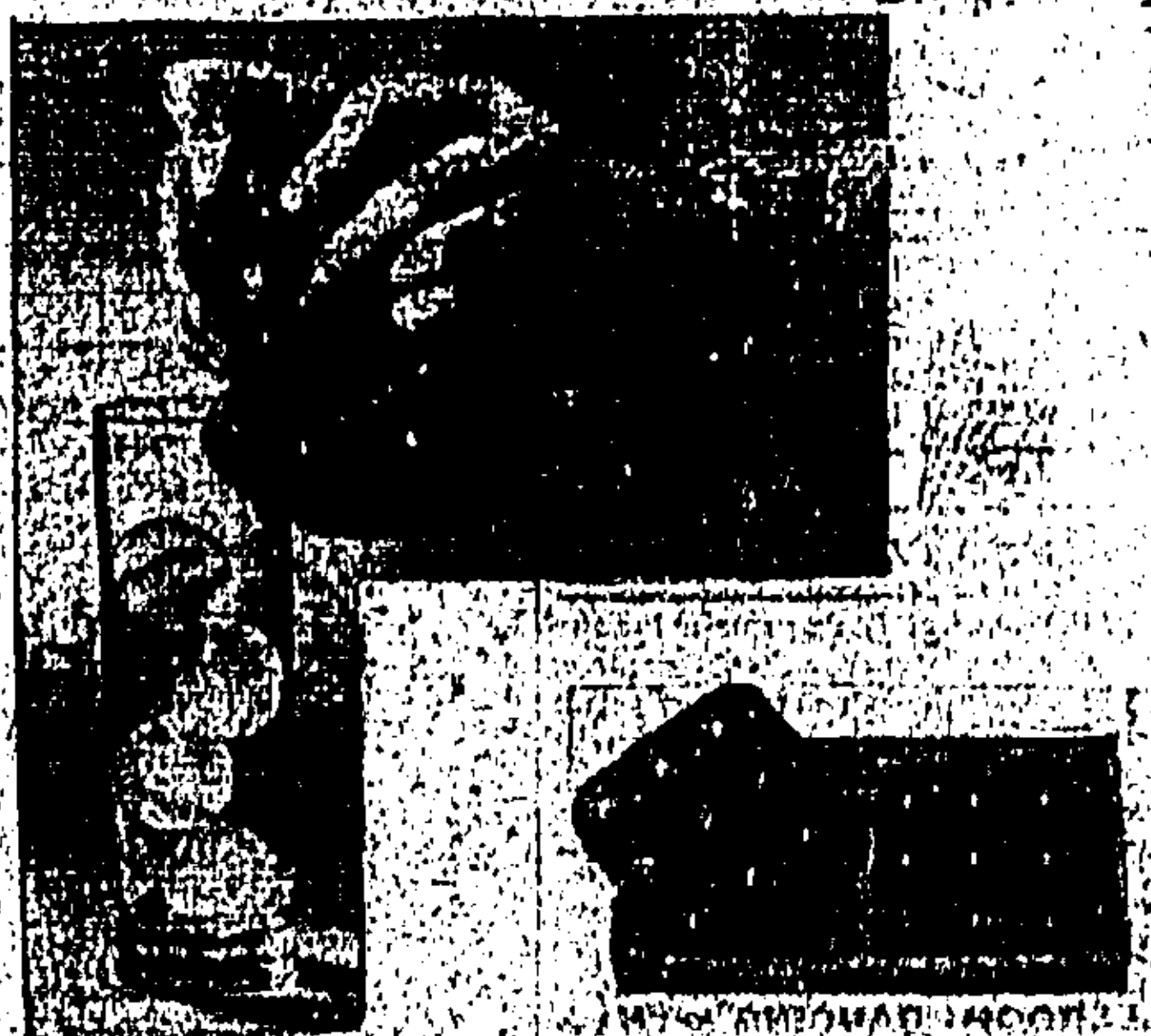
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 Section 47 of the Merchant
 Shipping Act, 1894, in respect
 of the Steamship "Empire
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 by Landsdowne & Com-
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Dated at HONG KONG, the
 29th day of November, 1949.

Landsdowne & Company,
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 J. L. MARDEN,
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By order of the CRAOC HQ
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 on deposit of HK\$500.00 re-
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Tenders close 1200 hrs.
 December 7, 1949.

NOTICE

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT

Medical Department

REMINDER
TO REGISTERED DENTISTS

The following extract from
 the Dental Registration Ordinance
 is published for information.

"Every registered den-
 tist practising in the
 Colony who desires his
 name to be retained on the
 register shall, before the
 end of every year, make
 application in the pre-
 scribed form, and shall
 pay the prescribed fee for
 the retention of his name
 on the register."

Forms may be obtained on
 application to the Secretary,
 Medical Department, Hong
 Kong & Shanghai Bank Build-
 ing, 1st floor. Applicants should
 apply personally with two
 copies of photographs of pass-
 port size.

The Prescribed fee (\$50)
 should be paid into the Treas-
 urer, Prince's Building, 1A,
 Des Voeux Road Central, and
 the forms should be resubmit-
 ted to the Medical Department
 for completion.

WARNING

The Public are warned that
 proceedings will be taken
 against any person found prac-
 tising dentistry in contraven-
 tion of the Dental Registration
 Ordinance (No. 1 of 1940).

I. NEWTON,
 Director
 of Medical Services.

November 28, 1949.

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HK KENNEL
CLUB MEETING

The Hong Kong Kennel Club
 held their annual general meet-
 ing at the Hong Kong Hotel
 Roof Garden yesterday, with Mr.
 F. C. Clement, the President, in the
 chair.

After reviewing the year's
 activities Mr. Clement expressed
 appreciation to all concerned for
 making the 1949 Dog Show a
 great success.

The 1950 show will be held on
 January 20, 1950, in the Jockey
 Club Ground as before, but due
 to the prevalence of mites on the
 mainland and the ban on
 bringing dogs over to the island,
 the entries this year will be
 less.

Mr. Clement also said that if in
 the interval any case of mites
 should be discovered on the is-
 land the show will be off.

The following were elected to
 serve on the incoming commit-
 tee: F. C. Clement, Mr. J. W.
 Anderson, Colonel E. C. Freder-
 ick, H. M. Howell, R. H. Robert-
 son, D. Hazel, Mrs. J. A. R. Selby
 and Mrs. Kilburn-Morris.

FOOD AND
FUEL COST

The food and fuel index for the week
 ended November 26, issued by the Labour
 Office, were as follows:

Rice and Flour, 7.2 cwt.	\$4.2709
Vegetables, 1.2 cwt.	1.0929
Oil (cabbage), 0.2 cwt.	0.4271
Oil, 0.7 cwt.	1.4770
Tea, 0.2 cwt.	2.9105
Beef, 0.2 cwt.	1.5161
Pork, 0.2 cwt.	1.4010
Firewood, 10 cwt.	1.8700
Bean (red), 14 pieces	7.081
Total	\$16.9290

The average of the food and fuel figures
 for the week ended November 5 to 10
 is \$16.4412.

The rehabilitation allowance for the
 month of December, 1949 will therefore
 be:

Single-paid workers—Artisans \$5.00 a
 day; Coolies \$2.50 a day; Women \$2.25
 a day.
 Monthly-paid workers—Men \$102.00 a
 month; Women \$78.50 a month.

THE MUSIC
OF PURCELL

Henry Purcell, England's first
 really great composer, will be the
 subject of Father T.F. Ryan's
 second lecture in the series "The
 Story of English Music" sponsored
 by the British Council.

Purcell, who lived from 1659 to
 1695, started his musical career as
 a choir-boy in the Chapel Royal
 under the patronage of King
 Charles II.

He composed many songs and
 later, works for instruments, es-
 pecially for plays and operas
 which were then becoming
 popular.

The Restoration Period in the
 second half of the 17th Century
 was one when the theatre
 flourished in England, and Purcell
 was the natural counterpart in
 the musical world.

Father Ryan will discuss Pur-
 cell's work and illustrate his
 lecture with such pieces as "Dido
 and Aeneas." He will also deal
 with opera in England, a field of
 music which almost developed real
 importance, but was quite over-
 shadowed by the great Italians.

The lecture, which is open to
 the public, is in the Roof Garden
 of the Hong Kong Hotel, today at
 8.30 p.m.

FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices realized at the
 Hong Kong Fish Wholesale Market,
 Kennedy Town, yesterday were:

First quality	price	price
	a catty	a catty
Yellow Croaker	\$1.40	\$1.42
Small Groupers	1.27	1.30
Chinese Fish	1.40	1.30
Mackerel (large)	1.70	1.30
(small)	1.00	0.92
Golden Thread	1.25	1.40
Shrimp (small)	1.00	1.15
Conger Pike	1.25	0.97
Red Sea Bream (large)	1.27	1.20
(small)	1.12	1.08
Hair Tail	1.12	1.02

The women's Department of the
 Hong Kong Red Swastika Society
 will hold a Bazaar at 25 Dragon
 Terrace, Causeway Bay, on Decem-
 ber 11, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., to
 help finance its Free Clinic.

THE HONGKONG STAGE CLUB

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'DUET FOR TWO HANDS'

(A Play in Two Acts)

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THE CHINA FLEET CLUB THEATRE

THURSDAY, 8th December 1949, at 9.00 p.m.
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Seats: \$8, \$3.50, \$2.50. Services \$2.00.

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 before each Performance, returning after the show. FARE
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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Eleventh Race Meeting
 Saturday—3rd December, 1949.

There are eight races, the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.
 and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (8 Races—\$10) May be obtained at the Office
 of the Treasurer, 1st Floor Telephone House, also tickets for
 the Cash Sweep on the last race as well as the Special Cash Sweep
 on the "Pearce Memorial Cup" to be run at the Annual Race Meet-
 ing in January, 1950. Cash Sweep tickets on the last race and
 those for the "Pearce Memorial Cup" may be purchased also at
 the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies
 MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the
 Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE
 MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and
 Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through
 the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a member,
 such member to be responsible for all debts, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale
 at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptrol Office will close at 11 a.m. and
 the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Tele-
 phone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House
 provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).
 NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PRE-
 MISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
 The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3
 including tax for all persons including ladies, and payable at the
 Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIO TAO MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PER-
 Mitted TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE
 HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING.
 MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN
 THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSSES.
 Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only,
 who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to en-
 dorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not per-
 mitted to enter the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on
 their duties and must remain in their employers' custody.

BY ORDER,
 S. A. SLEAP,
 Secretary.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turnor



"I got change for a five?"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

FLASH OF INSPIRATION

UPON THE rarest of occasions,
 a keen declarer gets a flash of
 inspiration which shows him how
 to make a contract that at first
 glance seems to depend on an
 almost hopeless long shot. When
 such an inspired play works, the
 memory of it is a thing of beauty
 and a joy forever to him. He can
 tell a special kick out of it if he
 made the pretty manoeuvre in a
 duplicate tournament, in which
 others all failed in the same task.

S J 10 9 7
 H K 6
 D A 8 5 2
 C 9 7 6
 S 8 4 3 2
 H Q J 10
 D Q J 10 7
 C J 10

S 8 5
 H 3 2
 D K Q 6 4 3
 C Q 4 3 2
 S A K Q
 H 10 8 7 6 4
 D None
 C A K 8 5

(Dealer: East. East-West vul-
 nerable).
 East South West North
 Pass 1 H Pass 2 D
 Pass 3 H Pass 3 S
 Pass 4 C Pass 4 H
 Pass 6 H

Every South in a duplicate
 reached a heart contract on this
 deal, some only a game, but most
 of them, however managed to take enough
 tricks for the slam. All but he,
 upon seeing the diamond Q lead,
 decided that success depended on
 finding the missing trump honour.

Both in one hand without any
 guard. As a consequence, they
 lost one trick in trumps and one
 in clubs, having discarded the

declarer's other club-loser on the
 diamond A at the first trick.

The successful declarer figured
 out what looked to all like an ex-
 tremely gaudy play. Instead of
 winning the diamond Q lead with
 the A, he played the 2 of it and
 ruffed in his own hand. Then he
 scored the heart A and the spade
 K and Q. He led to the dummy's
 heart and called the diamond A.
 On this he discarded the spade
 A, which evoked oh's and ah's
 from the kibitzers.

Now the spade J and 10 were
 unblocked. He used them to dis-
 card his own two low clubs and
 then triumphantly gave up one
 trick in the heart Q.

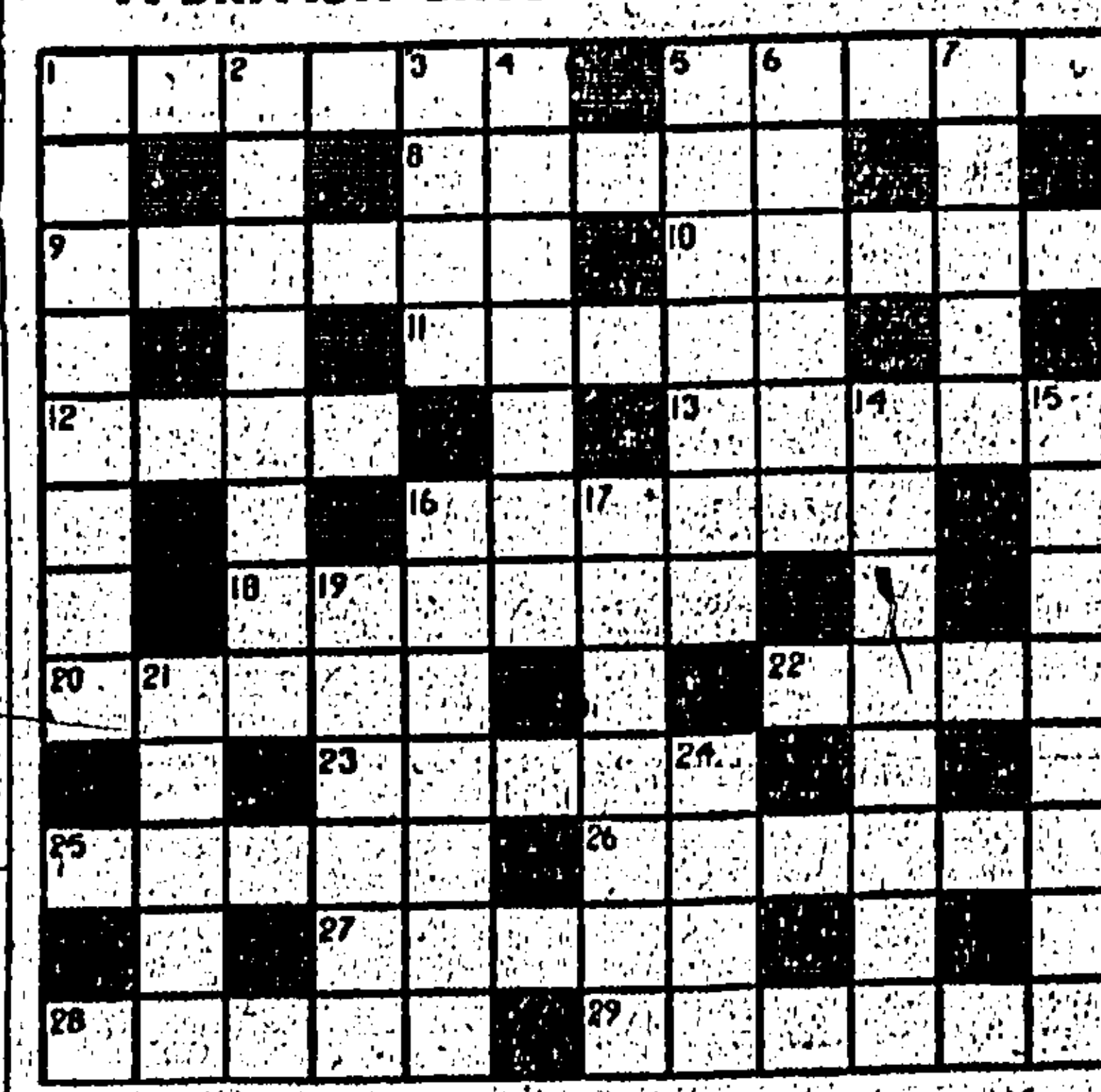
One of the defenders called him
 lucky. But he pointed out that
 this play had a much better
 chance than finding the two-mis-
 sing trump honours unguarded.
 All he needed was to have the
 holder of three trumps also pos-
 sessed, three of four aces.

S 10 8 3
 H 9 8 4
 D K 4 3 2
 C J 8 6
 S A K J 4
 H A 7 5
 D A Q J 7 5
 C 6

S 7 6
 H K Q J 10 6 3 2
 D None
 C A K Q 7
 (Dealer: North. Both sides vul-
 nerable).

After West leads the spade K,
 East playing the 7, and switches
 to the club 5, how should South
 insure success of his 4-Hearts?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
 1 Measure for 10. Untidy per-
 liquids. son.
 5 Might be- 20 Rhythmic
 come a d. 22 Sage
 8 Drugged. 23 Change inter-
 9 Curdling. preparation. perhap.
 10 Botic. 25 Imploded.
 11 Weapon for 26 Lay waste
 bears. 27 Cut apart
 12 Common. 28 Animal
 sense. 29 Postpones.
 13 Window.

Down
 1 Flower. 14 Close asso-
 ciate.
 2 Expert in 15 Young
 languages. animals.
 3 Poems. 16 Harbours
 4 "Blight on" 17 Commanded
 (music). 18 Commanded.
 5 Child. 19 Aspire to be
 6 Follow. different.
 7 Eloquent. 21 Precise.
 8 Bland. 24 Uncommon.
 Abate, 25 Recoup. 26 Reel. 27
 Stern. 28 Elders.
Yesterday's Crossword
Across—1 Rubber, 6 Impli-
 6 Vain, 9 Permit, 11 Vandal, 12
 Galore, 14 Boll, 16 Spout, 18
 Adore, 19 Dean, 20 Tocsin, 24
 Opus.

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FOR THE HOLY CITY

Lake Success, November 28.

MOSCOW
INTEREST
IN SHAH

Moscow, November 28.
The Shah of Iran's trip to the United States received much editorial attention today in "Pravda."

The newspaper ridiculed the Shah's declaration of a desire for peace, saying that this was designed merely to cover up the "aggressive substance" of his talks with President Harry Truman and General Omar Bradley, the U. S. Chief of Staff.

"Pravda" said the Shah's present conversations concern increasing the Iranian Army to 1,000,000 and declared that the Shah went to the United States for money and arms.

"Pravda" said that it was by a strange irony that the Shah travelled to the United States in a plane called Independence. "Pravda" added that the Shah's trip was evidence of increasing American influences in Teheran and was causing the British to make desperate efforts to halt the advance of American interest in that country, long regarded as Britain's exclusive domain.—Associated Press.

Algiers, November 28.
Free French ex-Servicemen today announced in a manifesto that they would supply weapons to ships for French troops in Indo-China. Dockers have refused to do this. Reuter.

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Iraq today asked the United Nations Political Committee to scrap the plan for internationalizing Jerusalem and make the Holy City part of Arab Palestine.

Dr. M. F. Jalami, head of the Iraqi delegation, put these points before the Committee:

(1) The question of Jerusalem could not be separated from the question of the whole of Palestine.

(2) In a settlement of the Palestine question, right and justice should be the basis of any settlement and not "expediency or a fait accompli."

(3) In any just settlement of the problem of Palestine, Jerusalem could only be an Arab city where freedom of access to, and worship in the Holy Place would be open to all faiths.

An Arab Jerusalem, Dr. Jalami said, was a "simple and natural matter" which could achieve the objectives of internationalization and avoid the difficulties of Berlin, Danzig and Trieste.

The status of Jews in Jerusalem could be dealt with "in any just settlement of the whole Palestine question," he said.

Earlier, Dr. Jalami had said, "The Arab people are peaceful and friendly people but they can never tolerate injustice or degradation."

"Injustice was done to the Arabs of Palestine. This must be rectified by those who profess the spiritual values symbolised in Jerusalem."

"The spirit for which Jerusalem stands has been crucified by the treatment of the Arab people of Jerusalem. I call upon those of you who have the spirit of Jerusalem within themselves to help restore the people of the Holy Land to their homes, their property, their freedom and their normal lives before discussing Jerusalem."

"If the United Nations intends to remedy the harm done to the Arabs of Palestine and be guided by the democratic spirit as laid down in the Charter and not by power politics, there is only one course before it, namely, to recognise the Arab character of Jerusalem within an Arab country."

M. Jean Chauvel (France) said that "French sympathies for the internationalization of Jerusalem cannot be questioned, and we wish to guarantee the sanctity of the Holy Places."

A quantity of firearms was discovered in a raid on the house of a Filipino businessman, Emiliano Acuna, in suburban San Juan, Manila, formerly was connected with the Etraco business firm headed by the late George Murray, who was killed in San Juan last August and whose widow, Ester, is now on trial for his murder. Murray allegedly headed a multi-million-dollar arms smuggling ring.

The police, who had been duly tipped off, nabbed Verne Mackay, former U.S. Army soldier, in a taxicab on the way from San Juan to Manila and found 27 Thompson sub-machine guns and grease guns in the baggage compartment of the taxi.

Questioning of Mackay led to a raid on Acuna's house. Most of the firearms in Acuna's house were duly covered with licenses and were intended for the use of special guards in the employ of Acuna, who is a taxicab operator.

Mackay, 28, a native of Brainerd, Minnesota, came to the Philippines with the liberation forces in 1945, was discharged here and was going to school under the GI Bill of Rights.—United Press.

Both criticised the policy followed by the United States and Britain and accused the Western Powers of being more concerned with oil interests than religious interests.

They announced that they would support the Australian resolution on the subject as amended by the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union urges the Trusteeship Council to draw up a plan of internationalisation and to supervise its administration.

The Soviet amendment would also dissolve the United Nations Conciliation Commission for Palestine.

M. Andrei Gaienko (Ukraine) said that the Conciliation Commission's draft Statute did not contain a single reference to the 1947 resolution.

This was to be expected because the result had been prejudged by the Commission's very membership, which included the United States, Turkey and France, he added.—Reuter.

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British Women
Turning To
Pipe Smoking

London, November 28.
Women are reacting to the cigarette shortage in Britain by smoking pipes. One of London's pipe shops said that the demand from women had proved large enough to justify the firm producing a special model. It is a briar weighing a quarter of an ounce and costs 12/6d.
One shop here sold fifty in one day.—Reuter.

TOLL OF
WEATHER
IN U.S.

Chicago, November 28.
The weather death toll rose to 33 today as floods imperilled the Pacific Northwest in the wake of a mighty storm that spread destruction across five states and a Canadian province.

The death toll was 28 in the West and five others lost their lives in wintry weather in the East over the week-end.

Meanwhile, weather officials on the West Coast warned that two new weather fronts are brewing. One was spotted 800 miles off the Coast in the Pacific and the other is reported at the South West end of the Aleutian chain.

Rain-laden winds hammered across the Cascades after causing untold millions of dollars in property damage.

British Columbia, where 20 persons died, was hardest hit. Eight died in Washington, Oregon and Montana.—United Press.

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"FREE" WORKERS' MEETING

London, November 28. Trades Union leaders of 55 countries outside the Russian sphere of influence began work today on the creation of a "free" world international labour confederation.

H. L. Bullock, chairman of the General Council of the British Trade Union Congress, in a welcoming address to 250 delegates, sounded a keynote with the statement: "Forced labour anywhere is a menace to free labour everywhere."

The declaration was applauded by the large American delegation and by representatives of Trade Union bodies in Europe, North and South America and Asia.

Mr. Bullock recalled that in the same hall—the council room of the London County Council—the World Federation of Trade Unions was formed in 1945 with Russian delegates co-operating in what promised to be world-wide organisation of labour unions.

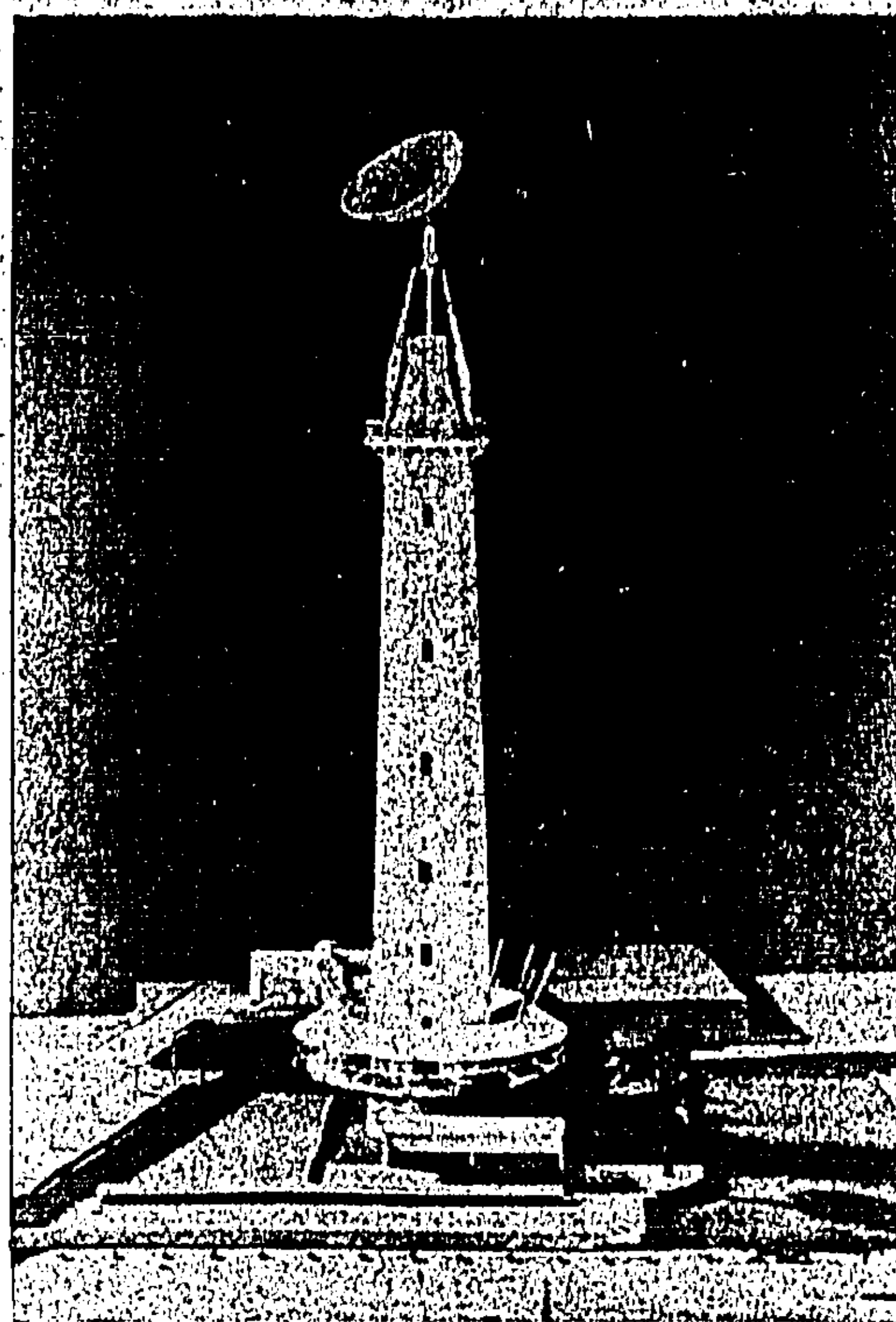
The union fell under the domination of Communist elements which it was charged in Western lands, made it a Russian political instrument.

Trade Union movements of many countries, including Britain, France and the United States, broke away from it and Trade Unionists of other countries refused to join—Associated Press.

NO. 2 NAZI SENTENCED

Munich, November 28. Hermann Esser, holder of Nazi Party membership card No. 2, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment by the Munich City Court today for publishing a series of articles concerning Hitler.

Esser, who was the Bavarian Minister of Economics under Hitler, was arrested by the Bavarian police in September. In August he had been sentenced by



This is a model of a tower which is to be built in London as part of the site for the Festival of Britain 1951. Its base will contain a small display on the history and future development of the South Bank of the Thames, but the summit will be devoted to a fantasy of the future. On top will be mounted an umbrella-shaped aerial for a radio telescope. This will be rotated by remote control. By means of it, visitors will be able to see and hear radio waves from the sun, stars and even from meteors. The visitor will be able to signal to the moon by pressing a button. A wave will shoot out into space and be reflected back to the operator in a few seconds.—Associated Press Photo.

WINSTON CHURCHILL BACKS 'ONE EUROPE'

London, November 28.

Mr. Winston Churchill, speaking tonight at a mass rally of the European Movement in London, said that the alternative to the success of a united Europe was "the complete breakdown of European economy and society when American aid comes to an end."

"That would be attended by a widespread misery which is the soil from which Communism springs, and the sad diet on which it feeds," he added.

Mr. Churchill said that none of the great partners could stand aside without inflicting a mortal injury on the cause. "But there is no danger of Britain standing aside," he said.

Mr. Churchill said that understanding and co-operation must be established between Germany and the rest of Europe.

Therefore, although there has been much delay, when time is short we are able tonight to welcome the recent decision in favour of the partial abandonment of the provocative and, at the same time, ineffectual policy of dismantling," he added.

Mr. Churchill quoted the statement of M. Schuman, the French Foreign Minister, in the French Chamber that "without Britain there can be no Europe."

"This is indeed true," Mr. Churchill said. "Without Britain there can indeed be no effective success."

Mr. Churchill declared: "Understanding and co-operation must be established between Germany and the rest of free Europe."

He referred to the meeting at Strasbourg in August when the delegates of the European Assembly representing widely different



MR. CHURCHILL

political parties declared themselves for the creation of a united Europe without hesitation or delay.

Only Course

Mr. Churchill said that while people might have reservations on this point or that, in the main these recommendations offered Europe the surest means, and the only possible means, of preserving her peace and freedom and of maintaining her civilisation and standards of life and liberty.

"Of course, we are coming to the difficult part of our task and many practical issues have to be settled. The ideas have marched forward victoriously, but the difficulties of a practical decision will not oblige."

"That is not a reason for inaction, but a justification for our redoubbling our efforts, as all are resolutely determined to do."

"No time should be lost in discussing this question with the Dominions and seeking to convince them that their interests as well as ours lie in a united Europe."

"An opportunity for these consultations offers itself in the Conference of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers at Colombo early next year, which Mr. Bevin is going to attend and where we hope he is going to be a help."

Part Of Europe

"We ask that the issue of European Union should be placed upon the agenda of this conference, and when the European Assembly comes to meet again at Strasbourg we trust the representatives of Britain and the Ministers will no longer be restrained by any uncertainty about the wishes of our partners and kinsmen across the ocean."

There were loud cheers when Mr. Churchill affirmed: "There is no danger of Britain standing aside."

He continued: "We recognise in this island that we have become an integral part of Europe and we mean to play our part in the revival and prosperity of the greatness of the continent."

"For Britain to enter a European Union from which the Empire and Commonwealth were to be excluded would, in the eyes of Europe, seriously reduce the value of our help."

"At Strasbourg recommendations urged the creation of an economic system which would embrace not only the European

NIGERIA RIOTING INQUIRY

Lagos, November 28.

Preparations were being made here today for a full public inquiry into the Nigerian riots.

The Inquiry Commission, under Sir William Fitzgerald, former Chief Justice of Palestine, will concentrate on the initial disturbances at the Enugu coalfields, where between 20 and 40 striking miners were killed when the police opened fire there.

Miners at Enugu have been striking for a basic daily wage of 10s. 6d. This had been opposed by the Nigerian Government on the grounds that it would increase the price of coal by 2s. 6d. a ton and place the country at a disadvantage with her competitors.

Disorders spread from Enugu to Port Harcourt, where workers declared a general strike, to Aba, a few miles away, and over the week-end to Onitsha and Calabar, North and North East, respectively, of Port Harcourt.

Police opened fire on rioters in Onitsha after trying to disperse them with tear gas and baton charges. Three Africans were wounded.

The country is still tense and a state of emergency and press censorship remain in force.

In London, the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, told Parliament today that he had no evidence that the riots were fomented from the outside.

Replying to a barrage of questions, Mr. Creech Jones said that the situation in the disturbed areas was under control. He said it was reported from Port Harcourt—where there was serious rioting and looting on Friday—that the authorities were receiving considerable assistance from local residents. They were engaged in recovering goods stolen from the shops.

Sir William Fitzgerald, Chairman of the Commission of Inquiry into the disturbances and Mr. Ronald Williams, Labour Member of Parliament—another member of the Commission—planned to leave by air for Nigeria on Thursday.

Mr. Creech Jones said that it had only been necessary for the Governor to use the police service in Nigeria.

He hoped these forces would be sufficient but if the Governor should want any additional assistance the Government must consider it.—Reuter.

BAO'S ENVOY IN THE U.S.

New York, November 28.

Prince Bui Lo, Chief of the Cabinet for Bao Dai, ex-Empor of French Indo-China, arrived today in New York from San Francisco. He will proceed to Paris in about a week as special envoy of Bao Dai to talk with Government officials.

He declined to discuss the nature of the talks he will hold with French officials. The Prince said that before leaving for Paris he plans to go to Washington for discussions with the French Ambassador.—United Press.

States but all other States and territories elsewhere associated not only with us but with our comrades and associates in Europe, most of whom had interests which had to be considered.

The British Government were, no doubt, quite right in being very prudent and cautious in making quite sure that they did not commit this country prematurely to anything in the nature of a European Union.—Reuter.

URANIUM MINE FIRE HORROR

Berlin, November 28.

Fatalities in the German East zone uranium mine fire have reached 2,000, the British-licensed "Telegraf" said today.

In an earlier edition today the "Telegraf" said that 400 German miners had died in a fire which occurred last Thursday in an Erz Mountain uranium mine known as the Johannes Georgenstadt.

Its evening edition said that later reports indicated that the fire had spread from mine "No. 35" to two nearby workings and that an explosives dump had detonated, wrecking a mine-hoisting tower.

The "Telegraf" said that the fire began when worn insulation on mine electric cables caused a short circuit.

Deaths were caused by fire, smoke and poisonous gases, the newspaper said.

Rescue workers found work extremely difficult and mine and factory fire brigades from all nearby cities and towns in Western Saxony were pressed into action, the "Telegraf" continued.

The newspaper said that rescue teams were still at the scene on Friday night and that 968 bodies had then been recovered.

The "Telegraf" claimed that special German rescue teams did not arrive at the fire until 12 hours after it began.

Area Isolated

The "Telegraf" said that only 300 miners had been rescued and that the workings employed more than 5,000. It estimated that about half of these were on the job when the fire began.

The newspaper said that the Wismuth A. G., the Russian-controlled company which operates these uranium mines, has evacuated all German administrative offices from the district and barred the entire area to all but rescue workers and officials.

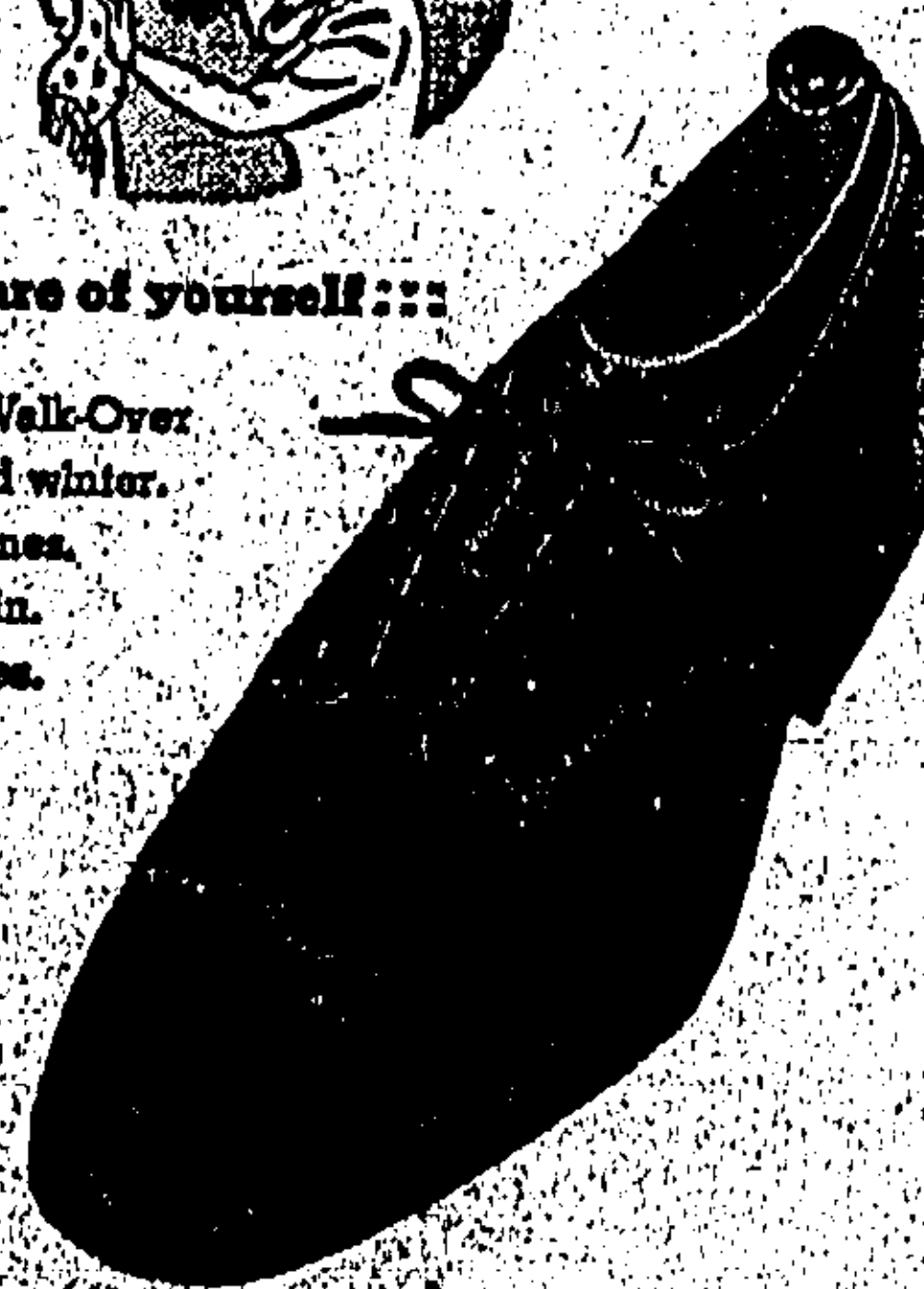
Rias, the American-sponsored radio in Berlin, said it had received a report from "a reliable source" that "hundreds" of miners had burned or suffocated in a Johannes Georgenstadt uranium mine fire.

American intelligence officers said that they had not so far heard any report of the disaster.—Associated Press.

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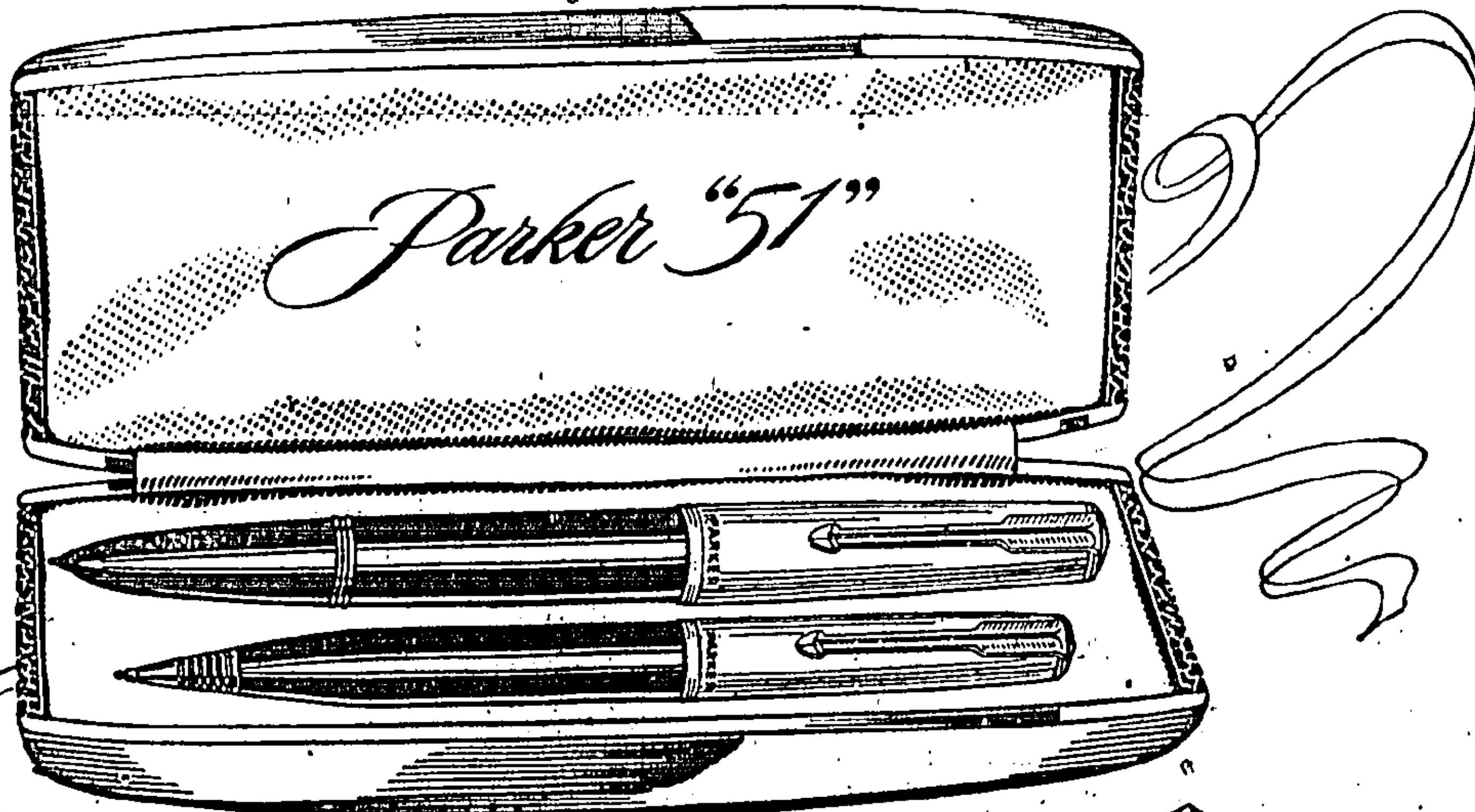
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WATER IS STILL THE KEY IN BECHUANALAND

By GEOFFREY JENKINS

Ice Cream Knows No Season

With winter now well on its way in many parts of the world, most people might think it the wrong time to discuss ice-cream. Not so in ice-cream America, however, where pioneer members of the National Association of Retail Ice Cream Manufacturers have been holding a Convention in Ohio.

The object of the Convention has been to move, not that ice-cream is a summer luxury, but that it is an all the year round food to be eaten with almost anything.

For example, say the ice-cream pioneers of America, what better than a good story? They have been told with a laugh and a grin, or even with a frown, that the answer according to the pioneers who eat down and tried it is that after the initial astonishment is overcome it makes the typical breakfast drink all the more tasty.

In an attempt to convince the local people of Ohio, the pioneers persuaded them to eat ice-cream with everything, no matter what it was. If the pioneers could enjoy it, they could ask for their money back, and the pioneers could make good any loss. The ice-cream pioneers thought so.

So far, reports from Germany, the pioneers are still asking for their money back.

While Americans are proud with their ice-cream, there are signs from West Germany that the Germans are eating more and better food than at any time since the war.

So abundant in fact does food seem to be in parts of the defeated Reich that hundreds of cases of cholera are being treated every day.

The reason why the German wholesalers, handling the cheese, is that, though in Western and the Germans have now become so used to imported cheese, particularly from Holland, Belgium and Denmark, that home-produced cheese is no longer good enough for them.

Occasionally the dealers try to save the condemned cheese by washing it with alcohol, but even this lavish treatment does not always save the softer cheeses from the furnace.

Meanwhile, as a postscript, heartening to the Germans at any rate, comes the news that meat and a wide range of other goods are now off the ration. In scores of towns in West Germany.

A man who exhibited the only live whale London has ever seen, and shot a girl out of a cannon at the old Westminster Aquarium, looms like a ghost out of the past behind Britain's now 7,000,000-acre ranching scheme in Bechuanaland.

Sixty years ago, a London showman, G. A. Farini, obtained from an aboriginal chief a grant of land 120 miles long.

In 1886 the railway was remote, and he would have had to rely on natural water, for there were no mobile water drills, as now.

Water has always been the big problem in Bechuanaland, but Farini records that he had passed through some seven feet high in places, with intervening forests where sweet melons kept his oxen in both water and food.

Even today, the savage bushmen with their bows and arrows, rely on the sweet melon for water, for it seems to grow in the most arid and desolate regions.

Farini, who had seen ranching in Texas, hoped he could use the same methods in Africa. He intended to buy cattle at 10 shillings a head in Bechuanaland, fatten them on his ranch, and then ship them to Europe via the Kimberley railway.

Scheme A Flop

But his scheme, unlike his start in shooting "Cannonball Zulu" from a gun into the water at Westminster Aquarium, was a flop, mainly because British men refused to buy cattle at 10 shillings a head in Bechuanaland, and because his health began to fail. There is no record of how Farini fared after this.

A similar fate overtook the Transvaal families who decided to leave of disaffection with the British in the days of the Transvaal Republic, and because of the poverty of the country, they tried to trade with all their belongings, cattle and horses, to the homes of Lake Ngami.

Old Chief Khama, one of the potentates of Bechuanaland, and his wife, Lady Khama, advised the Transvaal not to go in a body because of the sandy water supplies en route, but to divide up into small parties.

But the white men were suspicious of a native attack on them, and they set out together. Thousands of cattle and horses and hundreds of Transvaal men, women and children died along the road.

The survivors did not find the land to their liking, and moved on. Portuguese Angola. Their descendants are now farmers in South West Africa.

Set George Baden-Powell, brother of the founder of the Mafeking strategy, advised extensive ranching projects in Bechuanaland.

He had done a variety of jobs for Britain in the Empire, but the Bechuanaland scheme was dear to his heart, and remained so even when he returned to Britain from Africa to be elected as a Member of Parliament.

Rhodes Was Wiser

Farini had taken a practical step and obtained a land concession, but Rhodes was wiser, although his motives were not solely because of a love of cattle-ranching.

He settled several Cape families in the Far North. North of Farini's boundaries, a "buffer" against the Germans.

That was in 1898. Today, all that are left are about 150 Europeans scattered among a native population of 13,000.

The area of the new 1940 scheme is in the North, where the countryside is softer, than the stark wasteland of the West, and is watered by rivers like the Botletle. Ranching on a large scale would be impracticable in the interior, even if a great many boreholes were provided.

The long strip along the Limpopo is another favourable area, much inhabited by game, which make their way in the dry winter months from the interior to the river—and are slaughtered in thousands by poachers.

If Rhodesia builds a railway from the great Wankie coalfield to Walvis Bay, the New Bechuanaland cattlemen could easily link up with it.

But water is still the key.

Politics And Entertainment

When does an entertainment show become a political meeting, or, for that matter, vice versa? This question puzzled Tokyo police, who recently tried to break up a series of political rallies being held without the necessary three days' notice.

Arriving at the meetings, they were told by the organisers that there was nothing political about the rallies and that they were merely modern burlesque shows. In reply, the police pointed out that the only entertainment provided seemed to be a series of speeches on serious political subjects, most of them attacking the Conservative Government.

The organisers countered with the quick rejoinder that what the police lacked was a sense of humour. Finally, the police, van and the meeting, were disbanded, but, however, until the organisers had denounced the three days' notice law as a repression of liberty and a demonstration of the police's lack of sense of humour.

Checking On Facts

From Tokyo comes a story that has reminded our correspondents of the value of the reporter's policy of always checking the facts.

What happens when one doesn't check the facts? The story of the rise and fall of three class railway signposts, Yoshitaka Kamei.

It all began when Yoshitaka suddenly received notice of promotion to the exalted position of station-master in bewildered delight the signposts acknowledged the congratulations of his colleagues and presented them a grand party to celebrate the event.

The following day, however, an apologetic Head Office sent a note explaining that an inexperienced clerk had made an error and that Yoshitaka's name, far from being on the station-master's appointment form should have been on a dismissal form.

Head Office offered their humble apologies, but if Yoshitaka would ignore the promotion and accept his discharge they would see the clerk was suitably reprimanded.

Whether the clerk was discharged as well, Richard Hughes was not able to find out. He adds, however, that Yoshitaka, disillusioned though he was, kept his word as regards the party.

PRIX FEMINA

Paris, November 28. The Prix Femina, one of the four main annual French literary prizes, was awarded today to Madame Marie Le Kerdoulin for her novel "La Dame de Coeur." There were seven entries, all by young or unknown authors. Seventeen women authors formed the jury. The awards of the other three prizes will be announced next week.—Reuter.

No Room For Frills At London "U"

By TOM POCOCK

The stunted skyscraper jutting above the bare Bloomsbury tree-tops has the crisp, functional lines of a power-station.

As the Senate House of London University it is a symbol of the educational powerhouse which is becoming more than Oxford or Cambridge, the prototype of growing British universities and of universities as yet unborn.

Nobody goes to London University for fun. There are no dreaming spires, no crumbling quadrangles. While the average London graduate lacks the polish of his Oxford or Cambridge counterpart, he — or she — is perhaps better prepared for a working life.

'Chindit's' Change

The red-hot capable character of London University is outlined by the experiences of Bill Smyly, a former 'Chindit' officer, who this summer left his rooms under the hebeled tiles of Clare College, Cambridge, for the bare corridors and classrooms of London University's School of Oriental and African Studies.

At Cambridge, where he had read English, Bill Smyly had been to work and play as he pleased. Cambridge was a compact, self-contained community. Everybody read the weekly "Varsity" newspaper, and gossip was on a university, not a college, basis.

And so, after the comfortable isolation of Cambridge, Smyly's first impressions of London University were as sharp as a cold plunge.

"London University," he says, "is a factory of knowledge, where a student is not a person, but a number. It is a factory of knowledge, where a student is not a person, but a number. It is a factory of knowledge, where a student is not a person, but a number."

While he does not get the individual tutoring of Cambridge, Smyly finds London teaching methods efficient and modern. His own study of modern Chinese, for instance, is directed by Chinese films and gramophone records.

What he does miss is the social life of Cambridge. He misses the long evening arguments over beer or coffee, when the old blues, foxes, shaggy lads and argos about religion, politics or sex, and so gain that mental range which perhaps only Oxford and Cambridge can supply.

The Strangers

At London University there is comparatively little social life. After several weeks, at first, Smyly still does not know whether the man at the next desk is a Communist or a Conservative, or whether he spent the night before in the Folies Bergere or the Wigmore Hall.

The only focal point in the university is the Union — known as ULU to rhyme with "Zulu." Though debates and theatricals are arranged, the Union and the Athletic Union cannot hope to cover the whole university.

London University's problem is geographical. Today there are some 23,000 students attending more than 40 colleges, schools, and departments of the university, and another 23,000 at 21 institutions with recognised teachers, such as polytechnics.

Based on the Senate House, the university is scattered over 400 square miles, a vast, complicated, dovetailed system of education. In the lecture hall and classroom London can equal any university; but after the classes and lectures it cannot begin to compete with Oxford or Cambridge.

London University is almost entirely non-residential. Of the 23,000 students, 6,000 are Londoners keeping office hours at the university, there are hostels for another 3,000 (terms: £3 a week).

Are Spaniards Cruel To Animals?

By CEDRIC SALTER

Most British visitors to Spain, if they are unwise enough to discuss this headline subject with a Spaniard, just say "Bull-fight," in a disgusted voice. The Spaniard replies: "Anyway, Stag-hunting to you," and the conversation degenerates into a brawl.

Since mid-Victorian times, when the book "Black Beauty" was written, with a horse for a hero, the British as a nation have been encouraged to develop a special kind of imaginative understanding of pain in animals, until it is now an instinct.

The Spanish mind has not been trained in this way, and so his outlook is rather the same as was in the best-baiting and cock-fighting days of 150 years ago.

To realise the extent of this Spanish unimaginativeness about pain, compare behaviour in a London dentist's waiting-room with that seen in a Barcelona one. The Briton, before being called into the "torture chamber" is freshly scared stiff. He is silent in the dentist's chair, and comes out looking vastly relieved to have escaped with his life.

You will see the exact reverse in Spain. The Spaniard, having no capacity to imagine pain as a chirpy as a lark while reading a magazine. He bellows like a bull at the first probe, and jumps, howls, and comes out looking bewildered, highly indignant that such a thing could possibly have happened to him.

Unimpressed

A film of many years ago, called "Broadway Bill," included a most moving scene of the owner, standing by the grave of a horse which had died in winning a race which saved the family fortunes. It was taken off after three days, because the Spanish audience laughed itself sick at the spectacle of a grown man taking off his hat to a dead horse, instead of selling it to the butcher round the corner.

Far from admitting that their standards are lower than British, the Spaniard (if he knows you well enough) will accuse you of being sentimental hypocrites. One summed it up to me the other day.

To help settle the remaining 14,000 students, the university has set up a Lodgings Bureau in Woburn Square, where a register is kept of some 2,500 landladies with rooms to let at around £3 a week.

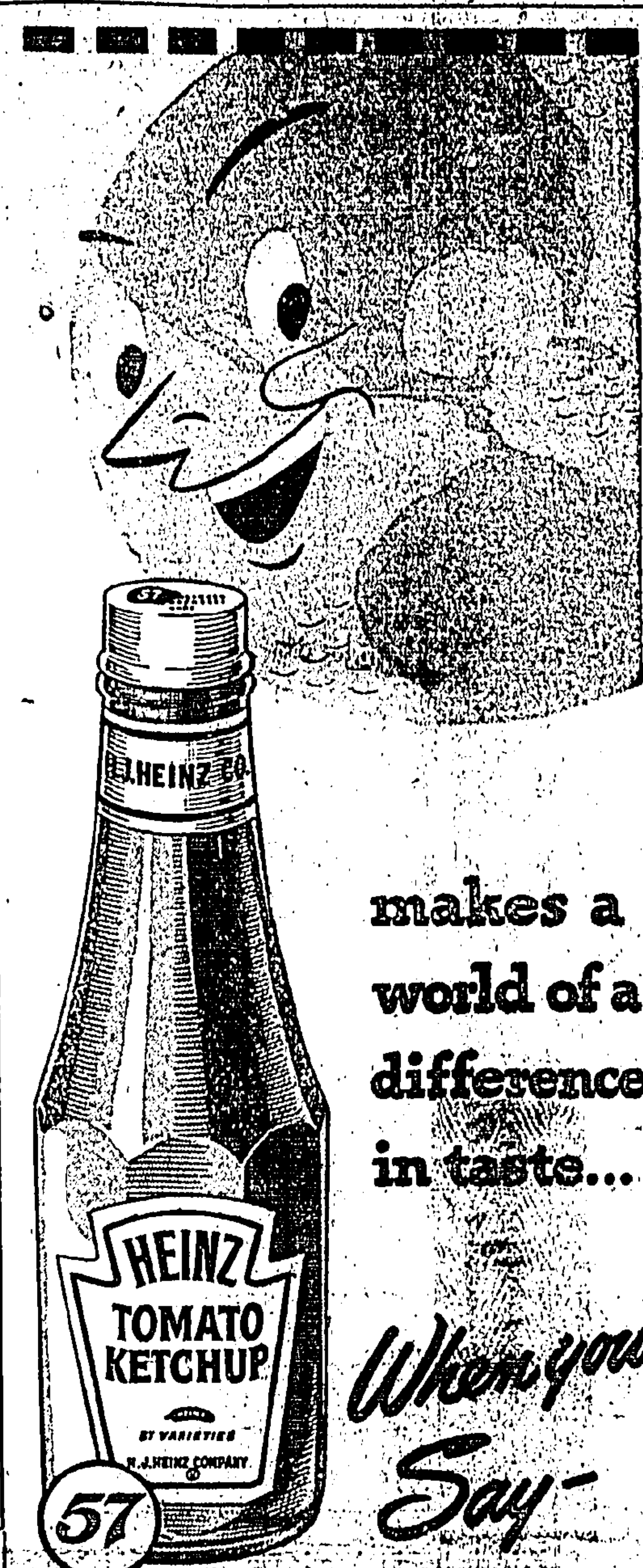
In Private Homes

But here the scene is changing. The old boarding-house landlady is giving way to the amateur. Today, of the five to six thousand students to be settled every year, three-quarters are placed with private families.

Instead of solitary confinement in a North London bed-and-breakfast warren the students can live with the families of professional people who can no longer afford a spare room. One woman lets her son's bedroom while he is away at Eton.

Thus the bulk of the students entirely miss the give-and-take communal life of Oxford and Cambridge. But they do learn about the London rush-hour, bed-making, and how to enjoy life in London without money.

And so, when they graduate, some of the students of London University find that they have been inoculated against the endless rush-hour that the townsman's life has become.



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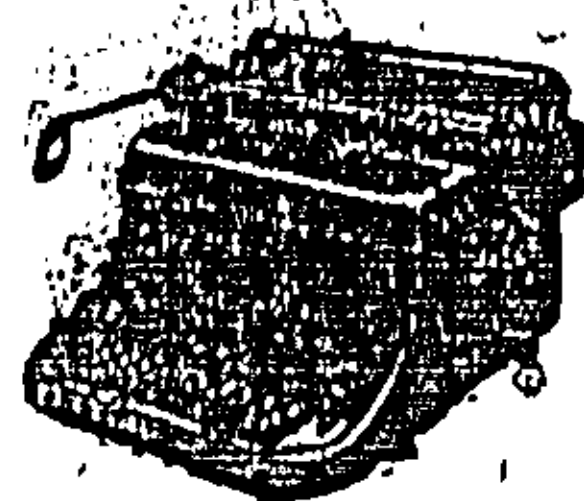
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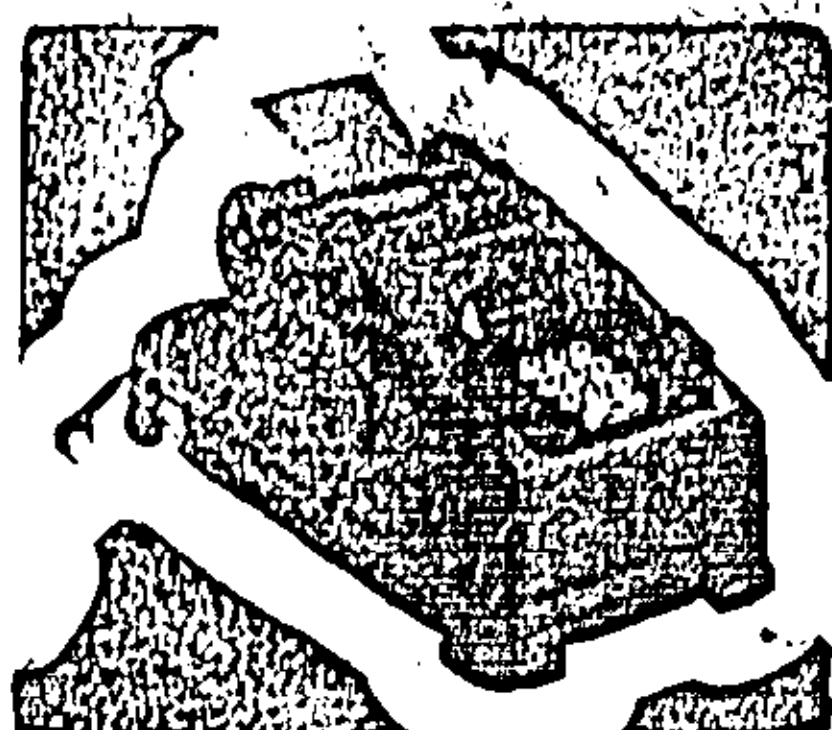
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Bishop Supports Sterilisation Of The Unfit

Birmingham, November 28. The Right Reverend Erastus Williams Barnes, Bishop of Birmingham, who is well-known for his outspoken statements on controversial questions, declared today that the time is fast coming when sterilisation of the unfit in Britain will be essential in the "Welfare State." Speaking at a Rotary Club luncheon here, he said that at least 90 per cent of feeble-mindedness is inherited.

"A time is quickly coming when sterilisation of the unfit will have to be essential in our social organisation. Sterilisation may well be, in fact, the complement of the welfare state."

The creation of the welfare state was a great achievement and would doubtless be followed elsewhere, he said, but social reforms created new situations in which new and sometimes troublesome problems arose. "We must educate our citizens to have smaller families. We must have medically controlled sterilisation of the grosser forms of unfitness. Many are beginning to think that medically controlled eugenics for defective infants should be an element of Britain's social policy."

Dangerous For Women

Replying to a questioner, who referred to the dangerous nature of the operation by which women were sterilised, Dr. Barnes said: "Sterilisation for a man is quite easy and there is no danger in it. The medical authorities seem to believe that sterilisation for a

woman, with the present extraordinarily rapid advance of medical and surgical skill, will not ultimately be dangerous.

"We have to look at the facts. This problem was considered by the Brock Committee, which reported in favour of medically controlled sterilisation—not as a punishment, that idea is impossible, but as a means of promoting the social health of the community."

"The idea is new. It is contrary to our traditions. It seems to be an offence against our human instincts, but what alternative is there? The need is there confronting us. If you doubt it, take an opportunity of getting knowledge such as you can get in this city quite easily by consulting the health authorities."

"Idle" Wasters

"We must get rid of the slovenly, vicious, idle wasters of the community," Dr. Barnes declared. "Unfortunately, the welfare state is only too likely to encourage their increase."

Making things worse was the inflow of immigrants, he said. "Inhabitants of the West Indian Islands who can claim British citizenship."

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Boundary Adjustment In India

Karachi, November 28. The tribunal headed by the Swedish Supreme Court Judge, M. Alder, began today its task of fixing the boundaries between Pakistan and India. The tribunal, which is to report on December 3, will move to Dacca, East Bengal.

M. Alder, who arrived here last night, is meeting Pakistan Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, tonight. He will leave for New Delhi tomorrow and hold a preliminary meeting with his colleagues on the tribunal in Calcutta on December 3.

PRELATE ON ATOM MENACE

London, November 29. The Archbishop of York urged the Democracies of the world today to pledge immediate and collective vengeance against any nation which uses the atomic bomb. The prelate, Dr. Cyril F. Garbett, said the Democracies should agree in the same time that they will never use the bomb against a possible enemy unless it has been used first against them.

He set forth his proposal in his monthly Diocesan leaflet.

If the United Nations fails to obtain an agreement barring the bomb, Dr. Garbett said, the United States and Britain should take the lead in calling the peace-loving nations to unite.

"If the weapon were used in a future war, it would probably destroy our civilisation in the first half hour of atomic war. A nation might find its towns and ports laid in ruins beyond recovery."

"No antidote has been discovered as yet to the discovery which would save a nation from an atomic attack when suddenly launched by an unscrupulous foe," the Archbishop said, but added:

"If a considerable number of nations declared that they would never be the first to use the bomb, they would encourage confidence." Dr. Garbett said that Russia's possession of atomic energy makes it imperative that another attempt must be made to secure international control.

He called for renewed negotiations on the highest level.—Associated Press.

For example, are coming to Britain in large numbers to enjoy the benefits of the welfare state," Dr. Barnes said.

"We must limit immigration, whether from India, South Africa, the West Indies or East Europe. We must educate our citizens to have smaller families. We must have medically controlled sterilisation of the grosser forms of unfitness."

"We must get rid of our slums. We must give all possible help to the poor and unfortunate. But we must not let the welfare state spoil rather than improve the quality of our population."

In response to a question by a Daily Mail member, Dr. Barnes said that "six to 10 per cent" of the British population is "chronically below par" and should be sterilised.—Reuter and Associated Press.

Errol Flynn Finds "Ideal Wife"



The Irish-born film actor, Errol Flynn, has found the "ideal wife." She is Rumanian Princess Irene Ghika, aged 20. Their engagement has been announced from Paris. Photo shows Flynn and his Princess fiancée at Elstree Film Studios, London.—AP photo.

TRUMAN'S WARNING ON SITUATION IN GREECE

Washington, November 28. President Truman reported to Congress today that United States military aid, together with the courage and determination of the Greek people, had substantially diminished the Communist guerrilla threat to Greece.

In his eighth report on the Military Assistance Programme to Greece and Turkey, Mr. Truman added, however, "Neither the American nor the Greek people should be lulled into complacency by the marked improvement in the Greek military situation."

"Communist expansion is a stubborn force whose persistent resourcefulness can only be countered by equally persistent vigilance and patience."

The report covered the period from April 1 to June 30 this year, before the Greek guerrillas announced their cease-fire in October.

"Without the Greek will to resist, it is unlikely that foreign aid or international diplomacy, or fortuitous developments could have halted the drive of Communism toward the Mediterranean," the President said.

"The consequences of a Communist defeat of Greece would have been incalculable. The recent Greek victories are an augury for the ultimate triumph of democratic ideals."

"The Greek people have thus justified American confidence in them and money and effort expended on the United States programme of aid to Greece."

Turkish Defence Measures

Mr. Truman said that the United States would play an important role in the efforts of the United Nations to settle differences between Greece and her Northern neighbours and to put an end to foreign aid to Greek rebels.

He referred particularly to assistance given by Albania, which, he said, had been found by the United Nations to be primarily responsible for the threat to peace in the Balkans.

Dealing with Turkey, Mr. Truman described as significant the decision of the Turkish National Assembly in May of this year to merge the Turkish General Staff with the Ministry of National Defence.

"This legislation is expected to have far-reaching effects throughout the whole structure of the Turkish military establishment," Mr. Truman said.

The President reported that Soviet propaganda attacks against Turkey "have persisted since the end of World War II with varying degrees of intensity and modifications of theme."

Co-operation With West

The President continued, "Following the inauguration of the United States programme for aid to Turkey, the Soviet radio endeavored to arouse Turkish anxiety by playing up alleged American imperialism in the Near East and in Turkey."

"This approach failed. Soviet propaganda has gone to great lengths to prove that there is anti-Government and anti-American sentiment in Turkey. Recently, the Soviet radio called on Turkish Liberals to revolt against their Fascist leaders who, it was alleged, were selling them out to American imperialism."

"However, popular confidence in the United States remains unshaken."

"The Turkish people and their leaders recognise that close co-operation between Turkey and the Western world is an important factor in maintaining international peace and security."—Reuter.



PRESIDENT TRUMAN

CIGS VISITS WASHINGTON

Washington, November 28. Field Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, paid a courtesy call today on the U.S. Deputy Secretary of Defence, Mr. Stephen Early.

Afterwards, freed by reporters, he declined to discuss anything more serious than the Army-Navy football game on Saturday which he attended with Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery as guest of General Omar N. Bradley.

The Field Marshal said he gathered one of the objectives of the players in the game was to deceive the other side as to who had the ball.

"They deceived me all right," he said.—Associated Press.

Wellington, November 28. Maoris, who always vote the day before the European elections, will tomorrow elect their members to the House of Representatives in the New Zealand general election. Since 1943 Labour has held all four Maori seats.—Reuter.

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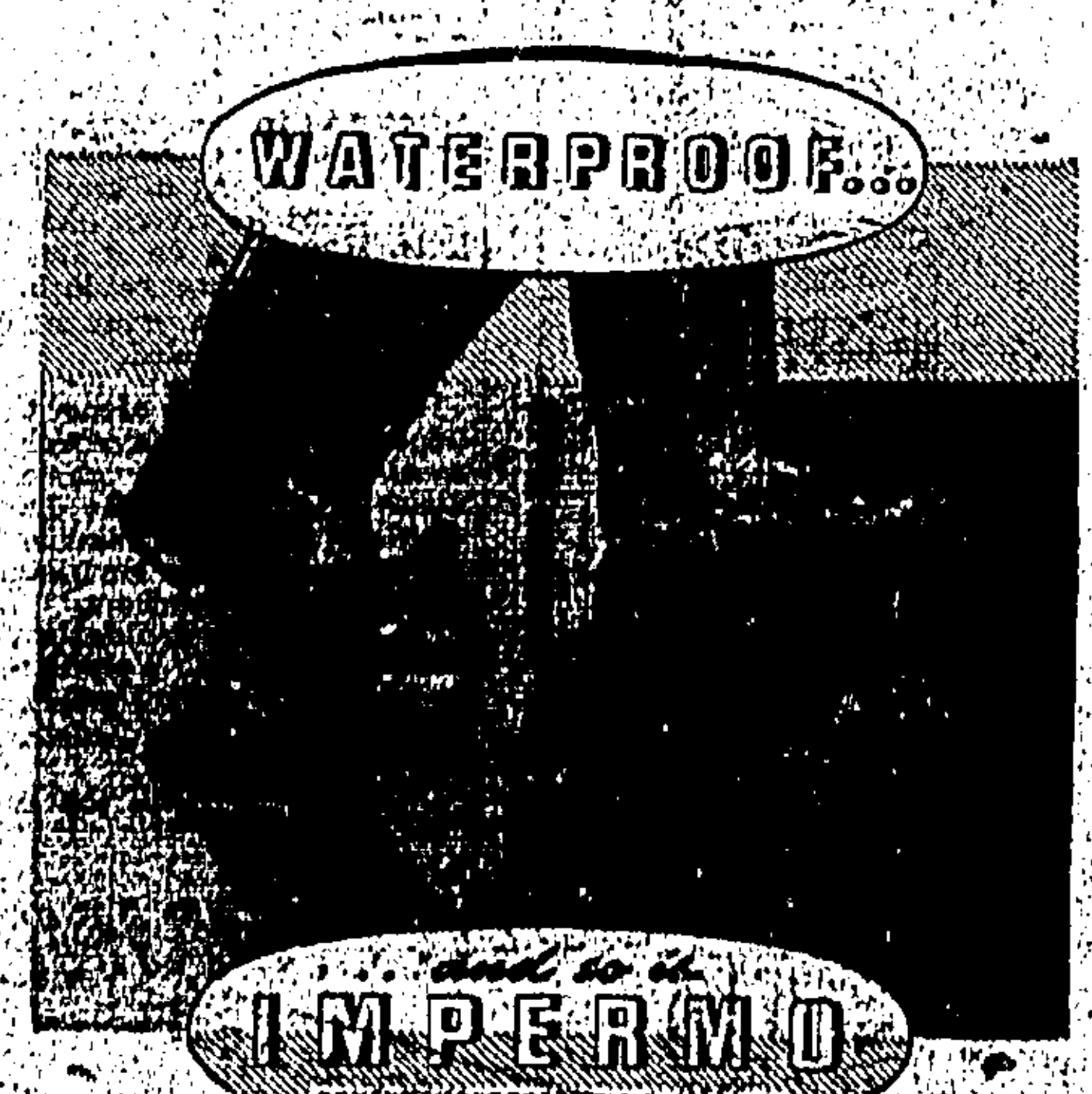
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PEREIRA, To Ruby, wife of Mr. J. V. Pereira, on the 27th November at Pweto Blood Hospital, a daughter. Both doing well.

HANDS OFF

In his resolution before the United Nations Political Committee, the American Delegate, Dr. Jessup, called for a policy of "hands off China." It marks a reversion to the more traditional American policy, consistently pursued for many years until the war-time alliance led to a more positive intervention in China's affairs. Indeed, the principles set forth in the resolution have much in common with the Treaty signed at the Washington Conference after the end of the first world war. This was a self-denying ordinance which did good service till the Japanese tore it to shreds.

It is about as far as the non-Communist Powers can go in this direction. The Chinese Nationalists ask for much more. They demand an outright condemnation of Russia's actions in China and a ban on the recognition of the Communist regime, at a moment when the Government they represent is at its last gasp. But the resolution does not seem to us to be wide enough. It ought to be completed by a similar obligation on the part of Communist China. If others undertake to keep their hands off China, China ought in turn to accept a similar ordinance and undertake to keep her hands off neighbouring territories.

The point is given special force by reason of the decision of the Communist conference in Peking, called by the Communist World Federation of Trade Unions, to establish a permanent liaison bureau and secretariat. Trade unionism in Russia has been wiped out. The World Federation of Trade Unions has long ceased to concern itself with the betterment of labour conditions. It has become purely an instrument of international Communism on the political and agitational level. Its sole mission is to make mischief in a world already most dangerously divided. That is why the Free Trade Unions have broken away from it and are now meeting in London to form a new international organisation, dedicated to the true aims of the free Labour movement.

The new body to be set up in Peking is the equivalent of a Far Eastern Cominform. International Communism is a conspiracy, directed against all other forms of political faith. The new Cominform is presumably designed not merely to issue propaganda, but also to intervene directly in the affairs of other peoples. The Chinese Communist leader at the conference is quoted as saying that the Chinese people must give their moral and material support to "fighters of national liberation wars" in Malaya, Burma, Indo-China, Indonesia and the Philippines.

In practically all these countries national liberation has been achieved; in most of them as completely as in the oldest nations in East or West. Indeed this achievement is one of the most striking events not only in our contemporary world but in the entire history of Asia. The Communists' aims are not national liberation at all. Even in the terms they use they prefer deception to honest action.

An MP Looks At The New Germany:

BRITAIN MUST MAKE A FRIEND OUT OF GERMANY

By **WALTER FLETCHER**

Conservative MP For Bury

What should be Britain's aim in Germany?

First, let me tell you about some of the things which impress the visitor from Britain who looks beyond the huge devastated areas and beyond the gaps even in the less-bombed towns.

I stood and watched a squad of Germans pulling down a derelict house in Hamburg and another squad on a building job. I see much the same processes from my office windows in London, but the difference in pace and purposefulness was most notable. The Germans worked at about double the speed.

German shops are well filled with desirable goods of all sorts, including food, but they are often beyond the means either of the manual labourer or the middle-class worker.

Taxes, though high, are not severe enough to damp the efforts of individuals or firms. They are taken in their stride.

What will have to be brought about there is an increase in wages and a possible increase in the rate of circulation. Well handled, these can both be achieved without real danger of inflation, and such an increase in production cost will still leave Germany many advantages.

Different Spirit

This winter is faced in Germany with quite a different spirit from that of last winter. Fuel and warm clothing are both more easily obtainable.

Germany knows that she has retained, in many parts of the world—autobly the Far East, South America, and part of Africa—great commercial goods will because her goods were right, her deliveries prompt, and the credit and services she gave were based on close study of local conditions.

Our aim clearly must be to make of Western Germany a strong, contented nation, contributing to the material, scientific, and artistic wealth of the world and a reliable member of the Western European Union of Nations. This will need a long time and huge effort, but unless we succeed Germany, it seems to me has only two other possible futures.

1. If she is disillusioned, frustrated, and her efforts nullified she may fall into the lap of Russia, much as she hates and fears the Russians today; or

2. She may become a "National" Communist State on her own, not necessarily a satellite of Russia, but still hostile to the rest of Western Europe.

Possible Paths

It is only a Germany with nothing to lose that is likely to take one of these two paths, and in a way the increasing prosperity of Germany, proved by the comparison between the 1939, 1947, and 1949 production figures, though it may menace our economy, is an insurance against Communism in Germany.

anathema to them. In Burma, in Indonesia, and in the Philippines, they tried to sabotage national liberation. When the Indonesian Republicans had to contend with the Dutch, the Communists organised a revolt and tried to set up a Communist Republic.

In Malaya the Chinese jungle gunmen are not fighting a war of national liberation: they are playing their part in a Communist conspiracy to subvert it. The movement began under external inspiration; and it has been stimulated to issue its latest manifesto by what is being said and done in Peking.

Intervention is a two-edged weapon. There is a growing clamour among the so-called reactionaries for a counter-policy of the same kind. Russia, says Kerensky, is playing with fire. So are her dupes elsewhere. The world isn't deeply concerned with Communism as a domestic policy, but it is deeply concerned about International Communism.

The 'Chinese people have had one lesson and they ought not to need another. The new regime in Peking has a tremendous task on its hands—the task of lifting nearly a quarter of the human race out of grinding poverty and all this means. War and civil war have been their lot since the first revolution nearly four decades ago. It would be tragic indeed if how misfortunes descended upon them because of a quite senseless interference in the affairs of the Philippines, the Burmese, the Indonesians, the Americans, and the Peoples of Malaya, at the behest of Moscow—or, as many might interpret it, as a symptom of a new Chinese imperialism.

Many a damaged RAF plane limped back from Germany unsupported, to use an RAF phrase, except "by a wing and a prayer." Germany's currency, and through that her economy, is today supported by nothing more substantial than the faith that moves mountains, rebuilds factories and houses, and willingly accepts cold, hunger, uncertainty, a gloomy existence, with inadequate recreation and amusement, may not succeed against all probabilities.

Judging from my past acquaintance with the type, renewed frequently between the wars, the German has retained a greater respect for the British than for any other nation. Even today, with our diminished power and

visibly inadequate leadership, many Germans are saying: "Can't we avoid the mistakes we have made before, and join Britain and France as leaders of Europe?"

We should, indeed, be foolish to forget the defects in the German character, the danger of the madness that seizes this powerful people in success, and their arrogance and desire to dominate which then come to the forefront.

But we shall be equally unwise if we believe that there is not a good chance of Western Europe, with itself as its head, capturing the minds and imaginations of the German people, and making them good Europeans.

Every passenger aircraft that drops down at this time of the year into Cairo's Al-Mazra Airport from Britain sheds, like autumn leaves, a few returning Britons, fugitives from a winter.

Back they come to Egypt from a holiday at home after anything up to two years, diplomats, business men, engineers, professors, men in colour and oil, in the Army and the RAF.

They had gone to Britain, these exiles, because it was "home," although they went rather dubious about conditions there. Their doubts were quickly dispelled after arrival. As outsiders who had been away for a long time they saw changes—mostly improvements—which had crept up so gradually on the British public that they now pass unnoticed.

So Much Better

Life in Britain, they found, was much better than they had expected. Without exception they all had "a marvellous time." Britain, they think is still "the finest country in the world." A number had regrets on leaving.

You find, however, they mean it was the weather that was "marvellous," and it's the countryside, the seaside, the theatres, the good food, the other enjoyments of a holiday that make Britain the "finest country."

On the whole they thought the people, too, were pretty wonderful, not so much for what they were having to put up with but for what they were doing.

An importer spent part of his time visiting factories in Yorkshire where, he said, "they're doing a grand job."

People So Nice

One returned, after visiting England for the first time for nearly three years, said: "I found the people so nice. But then they are nice people."

London was much brighter than when I was there before, much more spick-and-span. About food, he said: "You can get a good meal in a restaurant without having to be there the moment they start serving lunch. The shops were fuller, and how well dressed everybody seemed! You see a girl in the street and you can't tell whether she's the daughter of a duchess or a factory worker."

Traffic manners in London were much better than on his last visit in 1946. This man's wife found life so pleasant that she wanted to remain longer in England instead of coming back at the end of their two-month holiday, and they came up against their first really unpleasant snag.

Housing Trouble

"We wanted a flat and we found that the best flat in the best block were apparently all occupied by people who could scarcely speak English, people who hadn't been two years in the country."

The same sort of people seemed to have, all the big cars too."

An insurance manager noticed a marked difference between England and Scotland. He thought the Scots much more cheerful than the English, "but that's probably because they're more food to be had in Scotland."

It was his first visit since 1939. He, too, enjoyed his stay immensely. Mostly spending his time in hotels, he was full of praise for them.

A 24-year-old secretary who spent her leave with her parents found the food dull, but thought conditions in London better than on her last visit in 1947.

Prices in Britain seemed high to these returning exiles. Not least, this he explained away by purchase tax.

One man pointed out that he had found several things cost more in London than the identical British-made articles cost in Cairo. In most cases the Egyptian import duty was bigger than the purchase tax in Britain, and the price in Egypt included the cost of getting the goods here.

Much more interchange of personal visits is needed. It would be wise for foreign exchange allocations, for holidays, to be more generous for travel in Germany than for other countries, and a far wider distribution of British papers of every political complexion would be a good investment.

It is all the better that our political differences and quarrels should have wide circulation in Germany. They show how a democracy works on a two-party system, in contrast to the glued-together "splinter parties" which make up Germany's present creaking political system.

In trading matters, if we carry suppression of German economy beyond the deadline of war danger, if we try to restrict her access to raw material and to the world markets for her export goods, she will burst out in other directions.

We must become her partner, and by the advantage that we enjoy in being established all over the world, in having shipping, insurance, and financial organisations, reap the benefit of Germany's increased energies and efforts.

For we must reckon that sooner or later, probably sooner, America will withdraw, while France, although a considerable change of heart has taken place, has good cause for deep suspicion and fear and will want to keep Germany down.

Soon, therefore, the task of guiding and keeping Germany on the right path will be mainly ours, and unless we are well prepared with a thought-out policy and the means to put it into operation we shall bear a considerable load of responsibility if Germany goes wrong instead of right.

As yet no new man who has fired the national imagination has arisen to lead and guide Germany. And this in a nation which has always specialised in hero worship leaves a vacuum that will have to be filled.

We conquered Germany four years ago. Like it or not, we must now make her our political pupil and our economic partner.

Let The City Parade Its Treasures
By **MONTAGUE SMITH**

Many people are wondering how that million-pound economy cut will affect the Festival of Britain Exhibition planned for 1951.

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There are some 80 Guilds or Livery Companies in the City of London. They are rich in historical associations, and many of them possess ancient relics of their arts and crafts which they have treasured since foundations that go back to the time of the Normans.

These cannot be paralleled in any collections in the world. At the present time they cannot be seen in any one place or as a general collection by the public.

Many of them cannot even be shown to the members of the particular crafts for want of accommodation. So many homes and halls of the City Companies were destroyed during the blitz.

Grand Pageant

An exhibition of these treasures, sponsored by the various Companies, gathered together in one of the buildings of the Festival and styled "The Arts and Crafts of London: The Arts and Crafts of London," would tell a vivid story of progress in Britain from the 12th century.

Each Guild or Company might also show a working set-piece illustrating its arts and "mysteries" as practised by the workers of the earliest periods, with a modern version of attaining the same ends. What a grand pageant would be the result!

The Clothworkers' could bring to life their treasured pictures of the art of cropping, shearing, and tanning in the 16th century. The Goldsmiths have priceless examples of ancient and modern craftsmanship, which they would be proud to show.

The Playing Card Makers, the Vintners, the Brewers, the Mercers, the Linens, the Merchant Taylors, the Haberdashers—no name only a few—have relics which money could not buy.



Good Morning!

With China's hot war being transferred as a cold war to the United Nations, America is reported to be giving "only lukewarm support."

Someone has obviously been tepid off.

Communism would take all the interest out of our lives, declares a writer.

And all the capital too.

"The Princess gave her age as 39, the Prince as 42."

Someone should have told the groom that disfigurements of this kind, so early in married life, have a tendency to grave difficulties later on.

Bull in Japan.

An American GI ran down the road to see if his pal could hit a running man at 500 yards.

According to the week's shortest story—he could.

Hong Kong physicians want the invading doctors from the mainland to go back whence they came "for ethical reasons."

For what shall it profit a man if he gaineth like a Hong Kong medicine and yet loseth himself? Besides, they'll ban him anyhow.

I see that American atomic scientists have at last learned how to turn base metals into gold, although at prohibitive cost.

Of course, they could have learned to do the British newspaper files of 11 years ago, and saved themselves a lot of trouble. You know, like the jet engines?

"Germans hunt wild games in Berlin park."

Myrtle says she knows these wild games in parks.

According to a contemporary, collectors for the Nationalist side of the airlines dispute "also" breed themselves to go to court.

I'd love to have been there, watching them do the bracing. The head partner, urging everyone on, putting a brave face on it as he himself led the way to face the opposition.

A correspondent suggests that General Paul's counterattack shows that Nuts can still sting.

The burst of firecrackers at Mr. MacIntyre Brown's departure were not touched off by the oplum smugglers.

If they try to pull off their tricks now, they're going to be all Tuckered out.

A great mass of wordage is still being churned out about the likelihood or otherwise of recognition of the Chinese Communists.

There seems to be a difference of opinion on whether to accept the fact that their government is there, or to ignore them and hope they will go away.

In transport.

The Socialists have admitted that the nationalised transport industry in Britain has lost only four times as much this year as it did last year. They point out, however, that in 1950 they may be able to lose more.

"Hollywood's shyest bachelor wed for the first time."

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"HANDS OFF CHINA" RESOLUTION IN UN

Russian Intriguing Alleged By U.S. GRAVE CAUSE FOR CONCERN

Lake Success, November 28.

The U.S. Ambassador-at-large, Philip C. Jessup, said today that there is evidence of another Russian attempt to dismember China.

He called on the Soviet Union and all countries everywhere to keep hands off China and let the Chinese settle their own future.

Mr. Jessup, who will make a personal inspection of the turbulent Far East after the UN Assembly adjourns, put before the Assembly's Political Committee a "hands off China" resolution sponsored by the United States, the Philippines, Australia, Mexico and Pakistan.

There is a serious question, Mr. Jessup said, whether the Russians had acted in good faith with the Chinese since the second world war ended and the Moscow leaders signed a treaty of friendship with the Nationalist Government in 1945.

"Some of the evidence used in the reports coming to the State Department," he said, "causes grave concern that the groundwork is in fact being laid for a further Russian attempt to dismember China."

Russia has been accused of making a puppet state of Outer Mongolia and of taking over large parts of Manchuria. Mr. Jessup noted that Nationalist China accused the Russians of establishing special regimes under Soviet control in the Manchurian, Inner Mongolian and North Western provinces of China.

Mr. Jessup put before the Committee a resolution calling on all countries to respect the political independence of China and to be guided by the principles of the UN Charter in their relations with China.

"2. To respect the right of the people of China and in the future to choose freely their political institutions and to maintain a government independent of foreign control."

"3. To respect existing treaties relating to China."

"4. To refrain from (a) seeking to acquire spheres of influence or to create foreign controlled regimes within the territory of China, (b) seeking to obtain special rights or privileges within the territory of China."

Russian Boycott

The Nationalist Chinese delegate, Dr. T. F. Tsiang, promptly showed his disapproval, saying the resolution did not go far enough.

The Soviet bloc showed no interest, maintaining its boycott of the discussion. A lone adviser, Mr. B. F. Potters, sat in the Russian section. The Foreign Minister, Andrei Y. Vyshinsky, has said Russia will not recognise any decision the Assembly makes in this case.

The Committee heard six speakers in a slow-moving debate on China. Australia, Belgium, Greece, Venezuela and China all spoke on the Chinese issue following Dr. Jessup.

Mr. James Plimsoll of Australia said that Australia does not believe it appropriate at the present time to adopt the resolution as proposed by China. For this reason, he joined the United States and three other countries, sponsoring a "hands off" motion. He pointed out that the resolution does not pass judgment on charges submitted by China but is limited to recommending a member state of obligations under the Charter, particularly in regard to the principles of non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries.

Mr. Eduardo Stolk of Venezuela said he would refrain from pronouncing on the substance of the question, particularly since no concrete evidence has been brought forward to substantiate China's charges. Mr. Stolk, however, asked the authors of the two tabled resolutions to explain why the resolutions were couched in general phrases, calling on all countries to refrain from interfering in China's affairs when only one country has been accused by China.

Chinese Stand

The Chinese delegate, Dr. T. F. Tsiang, said that it was for the Committee to decide whether the evidence presented by China was sufficient to justify the Soviet Union guilty of aggression.

The Chinese delegation would insist on a decision on all the points raised in its resolution, including the question of withholding diplomatic recognition to the Communist regime.

Mr. Ferdinand Van Langenhove of Belgium pointed out that several problems considered by the Assembly so far were closely related insofar as they refer to political independence and territorial integrity as in the cases of Greece and China.

He said they show what is troubling the world today and preventing the consolidation of peace—that they feel their political life is endangered.

In the case of China, Mr. Langenhove said the Committee was not called on to pass judgment on the internal situation in China but on the international implications of events in that country. In this respect, he said, certain flagrant facts emerged—that external intervention has occurred and that assistance is given from outside to forces fighting the legal government.

In considering the situation in the Far East, Mr. Langenhove said, it is easier to understand the "neo-imperialism" of today. This

neo-imperialism with a "doctrine or ideological basis" is an ideology which has as its aim universality on one hand and domination of a spiritual and temporal nature on the other.

In the Far East, he added, neo-imperialism has taken the form of direct annexation.

Complex Situation

While direct annexation has not occurred in China, Mr. Langenhove declared that it was evident in Outer Mongolia where methods were employed that recall classical imperialism rather than neo-imperialism. He added that the same could be said of the Soviet Union's economic demands on China.

He declared that the situation is made complex by the fact that the new government is striving to supplant the old one in the United Nations. Outside aid given to this new government is reprehensible.

He said, "Far more grave is the fact that the principal representatives of this government are in reality dominated by leaders of a foreign state." He concluded by declaring that the possibilities of action by the United Nations are limited.

The Committee adjourned until after the Assembly's decision on a Western statement of 12 essentials of peace. Most of the Committee members must attend the Assembly sessions on that project, beginning on Tuesday, and most of them do not yet have instructions on what to do about China. It will be later in the week before debate is resumed on China.

The British said through a spokesman that they will vote for the Jessup proposal.

British Interest

The resolution was reported to have been agreed upon finally on Sunday night. The section on treaties was reported to have been written in at the insistence of the British, who have a treaty with China on Hong Kong and who have a huge stake in China.

The British have been reported to be planning to recognize the Communist government soon.

The treaty point also would apply to the Sino-Soviet treaty of friendship, which, the Nationalists charge, was broken by the Russians.

Informed sources said the State Department idea in supporting the resolution is that any such declaration of principles will in fact be more useful in the future than approval of the Chinese Nationalist resolution condemning Russia. It was said that Mr. Jessup believes it will be more important for the UN to go on record in favour of such principles than merely to condemn a certain State for its actions.

Mr. Jessup said the U.S. always has been concerned about the independence of China. He said he hoped the Russians would change their attitude and co-operate with the other countries—Associated Press, United Press and Reuters.

Americans Opposed To Recognition

New York, November 28. A Gallup poll on whether the United States should recognize the Chinese Communist government showed today that the majority of the Americans oppose such a step.

The figures showed: in favour of recognition, 20 per cent; opposed 42 per cent; no opinion 14 per cent; not familiar with China events, 24 per cent.

The second question—"If China is taken over completely by the Communists, do you think the United States should continue to carry on trade with China?"—was answered thus: continued trade, 29 per cent; no continue trade, 33 per cent; and no opinion 14 per cent.

On the first question, Gallup pointed out that there was about 2-1 opposition to recognition among those familiar with events in China and an even higher percentage among the better educated group.—United Press.

BRITISH TRANSPORT LOSSES

London, November 28.

The Government announced today that its nationalised transport system lost £20,000,000 last year and the outlook for 1950 is even darker.

The Transport Minister, Alfred Barnes, told the House of Commons that losses were more than four times as great as those of 1948, when the system showed a deficit of £4,750,000. He said the situation had become so serious that the Transport Commission had asked him to authorize a freight rate increase of 16 per cent. There will be no increase in passenger fares.

The system includes railways, station hotels and coastal shipping.

Conservative critics charged immediately outside the House that this increase would be a huge blow to Britain's "export or the" programme.

"The increase will hit manufacturers of heavy exports hoping to take advantage of the 25 per cent devaluation of the pound sterling to sell in hard currency markets, and saddle them with an impossible heavy production price increase at home," they said.

Mr. Barnes told the Commons: "At present it appears likely that the net revenue deficiency for the current year will exceed £2,000,000 and that it will be greater in 1950 on the basis of existing charges."—United Press.

SAIGON ORDERS A TRUCE

Saigon, November 28.

General Marcel Maurice Carpentier today ordered a 24-hour Christmas truce in the fighting between French troops and those of Moscow-trained Ho Chi Minh.

The announcement was made in a communiqué by the French High Commissioner, M. Leon Pignon.

M. Pignon's statement replied to a radio broadcast from anti-French headquarters in South Indo-China.

The broadcast ordered that no attacks be made against the French between noon on December 24 and noon on Christmas Day, local time.

General Carpentier, who commands all French troops in Indo-China, issued the same order.

M. Pignon added: "I hope from the bottom of my heart that mutual goodwill permits us all to celebrate peacefully the great Christmas holiday dear to humanity the world over."—Associated Press.

CHINESE MP'S MAKE APPEAL TO COMMONS

London, November 28.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist Chinese regime, reeling from the crushing Communist blows, today appealed to the British "Mother of Parliaments" that the British Government refuse to make terms with the Communists in Peking.

The appeal came after informed sources had said that Britain had already decided on de jure recognition of the Communist regime following full consultation through normal channels with other Commonwealth members.

Two hundred and twenty-one members of the Nationalist Chinese Legislative Yuan, in a telegram transmitted through the Chinese Embassy in London, warned against possible consequences in India of recognition of the Communist regime.

Meanwhile, in New Delhi, the Indian Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, said he hoped for an early announcement on the recognition of the Chinese Communists.

The Nationalist telegram appealed to all anti-Communist "democratic and peace-loving peoples" not to let Communism by word or deed.

It said, "Should the Chinese Communists, with their financial and material help, succeed in overthrowing South China and should international Communism succeed in utilizing the industrial resources of the North Western Provinces and North China and in harnessing the manpower of hundreds of millions of Chinese people, we shudder at the thought of what lies in store for Hong Kong and Malaya as well as Burma, Ceylon and India with which you are bound by Commonwealth ties."

Russian Technique

To concede to the demand of a few for the establishment of commercial relations with the Chinese Communists was contrary to the traditional concept of justice and fair play of the British people, it continued.

"The Chinese Communists are following in letter and spirit the technique of their Russian masters in an attempt to end all costs of what they choose to call Western imperialism from Chinese soil."

The Nationalist telegram said the proposed formation of a coalition government "allegedly representative of some 20 political parties" was a "puppet show."

It said, "It consists of persons now prisoners in the hands of the Chinese Communists. From your rich experience in dealing with the Communists you must have come to know that in the Communist dictionary, coalition government is but a synonym for Communist dictatorship."—United Press.

JEWISH GOAL IN AMERICA

Atlantic City, November 28.

A sum of \$272,155,300—more than any private organization ever has tried to raise in one year—is the goal of the United Jewish Appeal in 1950.

The UJA's highest actual collection was \$150,000,000 obtained in 1948, when a quota of \$250,000,000 was set. This year's quota also was \$250,000,000.

Delegates to the Appeal's national conference yesterday approved the fund-raising campaign to meet what was termed the minimum requirements of world-wide Jewry.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., General Chairman of the UJA, told the conference that Jews in the United States had contributed almost \$110,000,000 so far in 1949.

Cheques totalling \$5,000,000 were turned over to the UJA during the three-day conference by Jewish leaders.—Reuters.

JEWISH APPEAL IN UK

London, November 28.

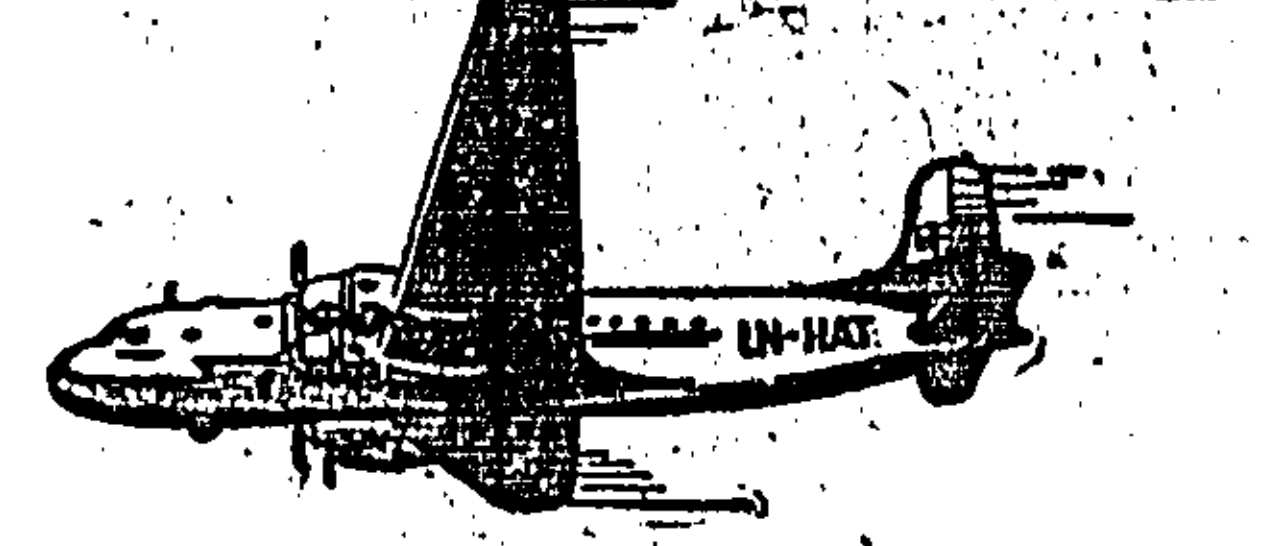
Dr. Abraham Granot, Chairman of the Jewish National Fund, is after private capital in England to assist the Zionist movement to settle 100,000 immigrants in Israel.

Dr. Granot said the Jewish National Fund's budget for the current fiscal year, October 1 to September 30, of next year, is £15 million. Last year £14 million were spent in land reclamation, afforestation, and irrigation projects; the planting of forests will be continued this year.

Dr. Granot said there are already big private loans for a scheme from American banks and the Ford Motor Company, intended to establish an important assembly plant in Israel. He said: "I am certain many important firms will invest their money. That does not preclude British firms, although there are no plans to ask British firms to establish industries in Israel."

Dr. Granot said the establishment of a small standing army in Israel would not allow the Government to spend much on immigration projects, which have now become the main burden of the Zionist Organisation through the Jewish National Fund.—United Press.

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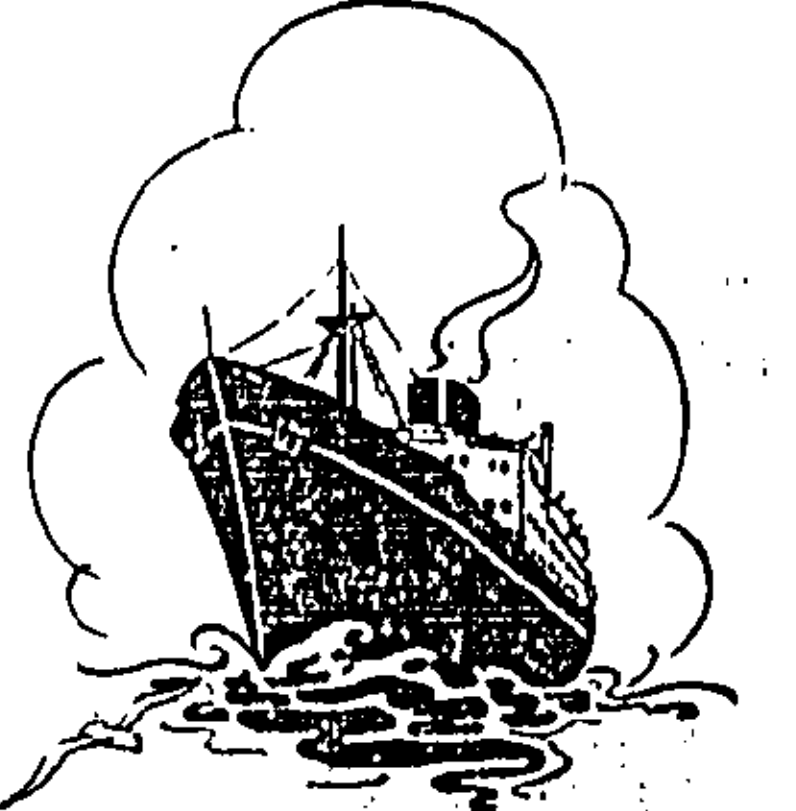
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PEKING BROTHELS CLOSED DOWN

San Francisco, November 28. The Chinese Communist radio reported that all brothels in Peking were closed by the Communist Government, and that the 1,200 prostitute-inmates are being rehabilitated.

The radio said that considerable efforts are being made to enable these women to begin life anew. They are being taught vocations, given medical attention and provided with a new outlook to face life as respectable members of the community.—United Press.

MINE EXPLOSION IN JAPAN

Nagasaki, November 28. Ten persons were killed and 10 critically and 40 lightly injured in a coal mine gas explosion yesterday morning at Chiba, near Nagasaki.—United Press.

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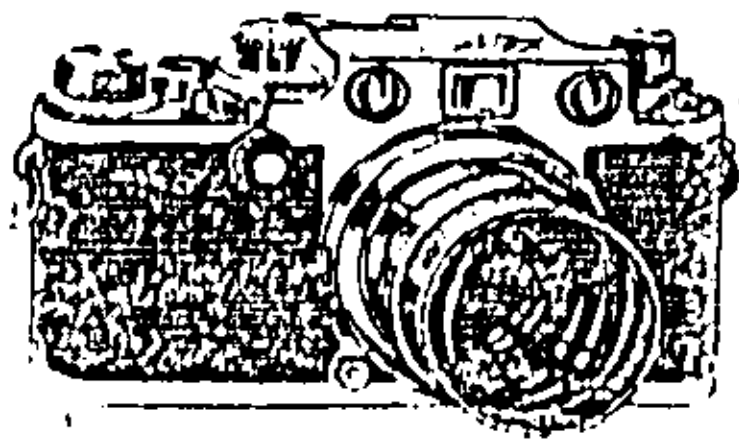
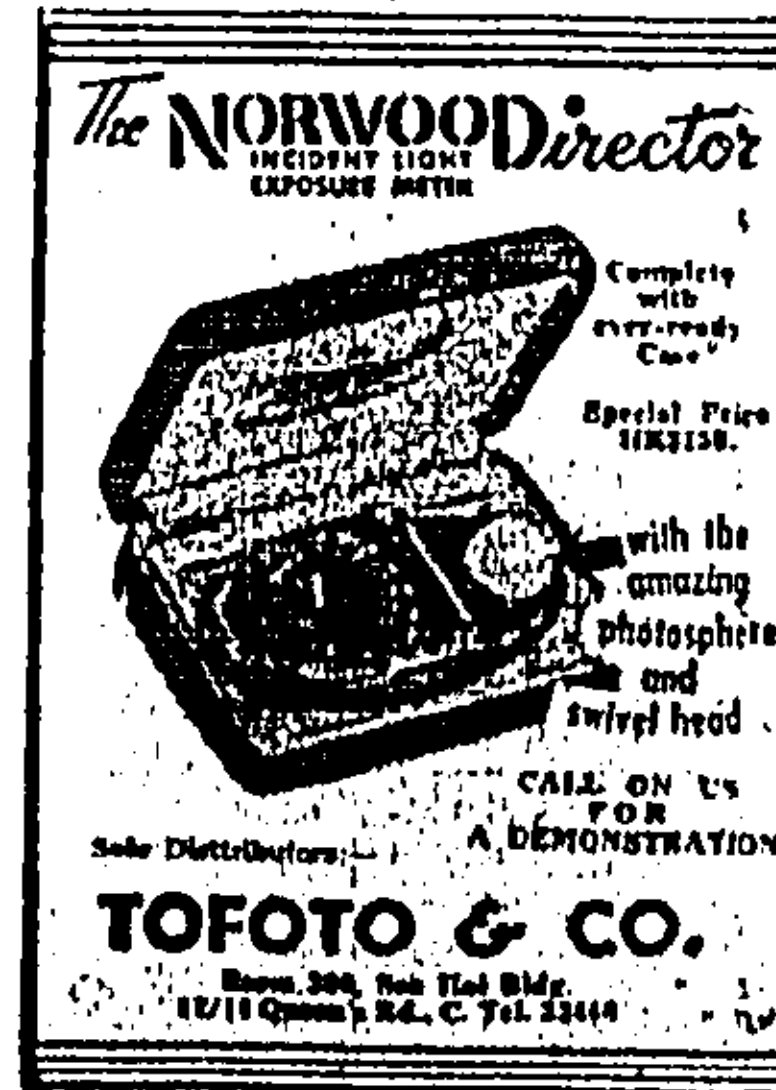
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Advice Is Free, Here's Some

By BETTY BETZ

What to do when you accidentally break a lamp, dish or antique spinning wheel at the home of a friend? We know you didn't mean it, and although you might have been a little more careful, it's too late now, for the damage has been done.

Number one... Don't get flustered and embarrassed for this not only ruins your good times, but your host or hostess as well.

An accident of this sort is nothing to burst your sides out laughing about, but you don't have to mope like a dope, either! Make your sincere apologies help clean up any of the wreckage, and then offer your services to help get it fixed or replaced.

Never offer cold cash to your host or hostess to pay for the dish, lamp or what's broken, even though you have none but the best of intentions. Your next move should be to find out where the article was bought, and then offer to go about having it repaired or replaced in your own spare time.

Your host or hostess will probably come out with a lot of emphatic "no-no-no's," but after all, just try to imagine how you'd feel

if someone had broken something at your home. If the host or hostess insists you forget all about it, then the polite thing to do might be to at least send some small token of flowers or candy to show your heart is in the right spot.

We're all butter-fingered and nervous at times, and especially when we're going into our first round of parties. So, let's hope nothing happens... but IF it does, try to pass it off as gracefully as possible.

Is bop a flop? Maybe yes and maybe no... all these strange sounds, words, and off-beat rhythms have caught on with certain select cliques of the college crowd, but definitely not with the high school set.

"We can't dance to bebop!" is the major complaint from kids who much prefer dancing to music with a solid beat.

"It's fun to watch Dizzy Gillespie and Woody Herman on the stage. They're great musicians who really have a special style... but how can you get romantic to 'Ooo-ly-a-ooo' and 'oop-pop-pa-da'?" asked 16-year-old Jan Musial, who feels like many of the other young Americans who'd rather dance than just "listen."

Leonard Feather in his informative book called "Inside Bebop" explains how bebop is a part of our jazz development today, which will probably be just a step toward something else in the near future. What? That's what everyone in the music world wants to know, and a music magazine has offered US\$1,000 in cash prizes for the winning word which best describes the music of today.

Through the years the young folks have danced, and tapped their feet to the rhythms of ragtime, jazz, dixieland, swing, boogie-woogie and bebop... but swing just isn't swung any more, even by its own daddy, Benny Goodman.

Bebop refers to one restricted school, which is difficult to dance

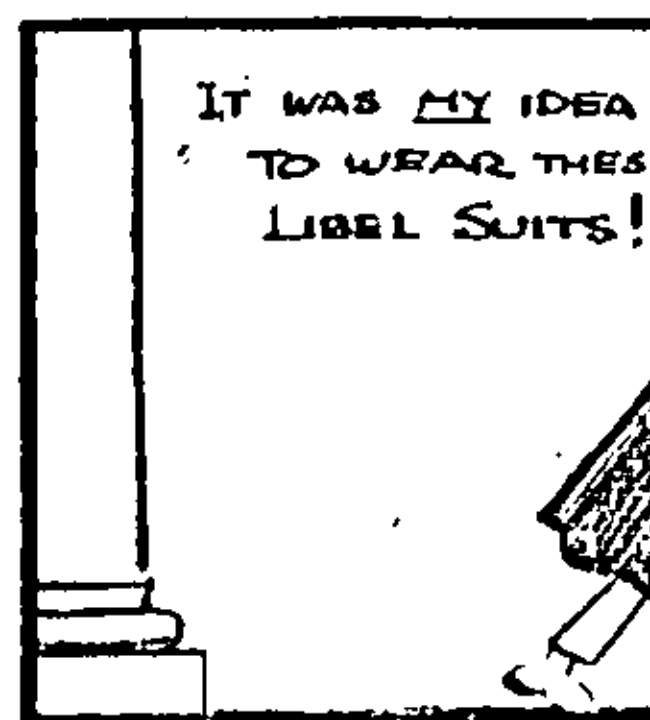


but represents an important trend in music which shouldn't be ignored.

To follow the same pattern of generations before us, the majority of our teen set prefers the sweet and sentimental songs to the novel styles of music... but what shall we call it?

Even though Crosby is still tops, you don't call his style "crooning," and even the "swoning" over Frank Sinatra is over now that his original fans have grown up. At least our teenagers today know what they like even though they may not have a name for their favorite music!

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Doris Day Wins Disc Poll

Doris Day's many fans will be pleased at the result of the American Disc Jockeys' Poll which placed her first, Jo Stafford and Dinah Shore, following in order.

Bling was delirious in second place and Perry Como now leads the male vocalists. The same poll put Les Brown's I've Got My Love to Keep Me Warm as the best instrumental record. Meanwhile, the Disc Jockeys have placed the following in their current list of favourite records: Why Was I Born by Vic Damone. I've Got a Lovely Bunch of Coconuts—Freddie Martin. Envy—Buddy Clark. Canadian Capers—Doris Day. Crocodile Tears—Eddy Howard. A Dreamer's Holiday—Buddy Clarke. Of the latest releases, the ones most likely to reach the top are: Mule Train by Frankie Laine. I'll Never Slip Around Again by Margaret Whiting and Jimmy Wakely. Way Back Home by Bing Crosby. I've Got a Lovely Bunch of Coconuts—Doris Day and Jerry Murad and His Harmonica Cats. Radio Hong Kong has initiated a new series of Sweet and Sentimental tunes conducted by Martin Anderson whose first programme was well selected. Rediffusion's relay from London's Jazz Rhythm Club also got off to a good start and it was most interesting to hear the interview at the Northolt Airport with Louis Armstrong and his men, including Jack Tengerden.

Readers' Letters

(Continued from Col. 3)

We would like to thank "Crystal Clear," "Denison" and "Yankee Teen" for what they have said on our behalf. There is one point we would like to make clear. We are very popular girls and the letter we wrote was for the benefit of all girls ("China Doll" and Old Stuff and Sing please note). We the "Two Hopeful Girls" would be pleased to write to the above mentioned and meet them to know if they still stick to their ideas. So if you would like to write or meet us please address your letters to 9, Bay View Mansions, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong.

We may as well mention that it is no use looking up the above address to find out who live there because we certainly do not. That is the home of our friend who is willing to forward the letters to us. "Two Hopeful Girls"

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S.S. "CHOYBANG" Incheon 11th Dec.

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S.S. "TAKSANG" Gt. Britain & Calcutta 1st Dec.
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S.S. "WINGBANG" Keelung 7th Dec.
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M.V. "HINDUSTAN" Japanese ports 30th Dec.
M.V. "BALUCHISTAN" Japanese ports Early Feb.

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M.V. "HINDUSTAN" Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney 25th Dec.
M.V. "BALUCHISTAN" Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney 2nd Feb.

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(Carrier's option to proceed via other ports to load/discharge)

ARRIVALS FROM U.K. VIA STRAITS

M.V. "GLENHARRY" Leaves London 14th Jan.
M.V. "DENBIGHSHIRE" 28th Dec.
M.V. "GLENHARRY" 10th Jan.
M.V. "GLENHARRY" 23rd Dec.
M.V. "GLENHARRY" 6th Jan.

All outward vessels accept cargo for Japan Ports

PRINCE LINE LTD.

ARRIVALS FROM U.S. ATLANTIC & PACIFIC PORTS

M.V. "JAVANESE PRINCE" 29 Nov. 10 Dec. 10 Jan.
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

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Airmail for Manila (Reg.) 40 a.m. (Ord.) 11 a.m.

Airmail for Taipei (Reg.) 4 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Sydney (Reg.) 7 p.m. (Ord.) 11 a.m.

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Hong Kong (Reg.) 11 a.m. (Ord.) 12 noon.

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